

# A new FUSE based file system client for EOS

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#### Introduction

### Background



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  - a filesystem mount is standard API supported by every application not always the most efficient for physics analysis
  - a filesystem mount is very delicate interface
    any failure translates into applications failures, job inefficiencies etc.
  - FUSE is a simple (not always) but not the most efficient way to implement a filesystem
  - implementing a filesystem in general is challenging
  - this is the 3rd generation of a FUSE based client for EOS

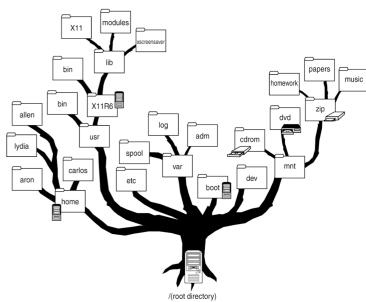
## eosxd

#### Introduction



### Files vs Inodes

- EOS native implementation (XRootD) is
  - access by URL towards meta data server
  - access by inode towards storage server
- Filesystems are implemented as trees starting at a root node 1 with name '/'. Each leave node is identified by a pair of [parent node, name].
  - access is via i-nodes, not by path
  - fundamental for atomic rename operations





#### Introduction

### Goal of reimplementation

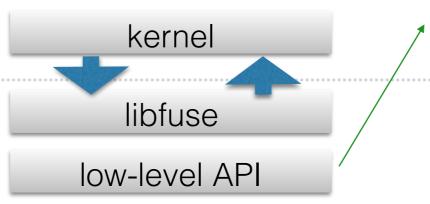


- improve posix-ness and atomicity
  - implement file locking (byte-range) e.g. sqlite needs that
  - implement synchronous & asynchronous IO (O\_SYNC)
  - similar posix-ness as AFS absorb some traditional use cases
  - possibility for NFS4, CIFS, S3 exports
- add more client side caching for performance but implement cross-client consistency
  - manage caches via CAP token (cache authority provider)
  - strong security mechanism e.g. don't provide only a trust client model



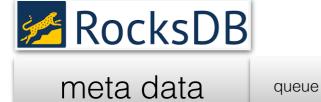
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Architecture



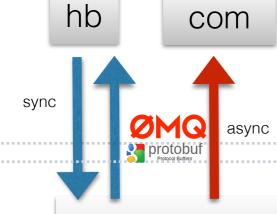
operations.getattr operations.lookup operations.setattr operations.opendir operations.access operations.readdir operations mkdir operations.unlink operations.rmdir operations rename operations open operations.create operations.mknod operations read operations write operations statfs operations release operations.releasedir operations fsync operations flush operations.setxattr operations.getxattr operations.listxattr operations.removexattr operations readlink operations.symlink operations.getlk operations.setlk





CAP store

data



meta data backend

XrdCl::Filesystem

XrdCl::Proxy



XRootD



async



FST - xrootd





## Architecture Client Heartbeat



**eos**xd sends regular heartbeat messages. The default interval is 1s. eosxd receives the heart beat interval with the first handshake. If many clients are used the interval can be reconfigured using 'eos fusex hb {1..15}'.

```
EOS Console [root://localhost] |/eos/dev/> fusex ls
                                                             volatile Tue, 23 Jan 2018 10:25:30 GMT 27.98 0.40 bc6fd8ee-0027-11e8-aec3-02163e018376 caps=0
client : eosxd
                                  eos-aufs.cern.ch 4.2.9
                                                             volatile Tue, 30 Jan 2018 11:55:41 GMT 53.50 432.89 7e9211bc-05b4-11e8-ab6a-02163e007a0d caps=
                           eos-certify-sl6.cern.ch 4.2.11
client : eosxd
                           p05153074552980.cern.ch 4.2.11
                                                                      Mon, 29 Jan 2018 08:55:26 GMT 0.09 0.38 261554e6-04d2-11e8-b283-00259016f295 caps=0
client : eosxd
                                                                      Tue, 30 Jan 2018 11:32:17 GMT 0.70 0.81 39f0b606-05b1-11e8-bda6-02163e009ce2 caps=0
client : eosxd
                                       slc7.cern.ch 4.2.11
 client name
                                   host name
                                                    version
                                                              status
                                                                                 startup time
                                                                                                  last hb [s]hb flight time[ms]
                                                                                                                                  client uuid
                                                                                                                                                      #caps
```

```
hb ØMQ
```

```
EOS Console [root://localhost] |/eos/dev/> fusex ls -l
```

every 60s clients attach monitoring information to a heartbeat

slc7.cern.ch 4.2.11 online Tue, 30 Jan 2018 11:32:17 GMT 0.92 0.85

MGM - FuseServer

**HINT**: if your local clock drift + network latency > 2s, **eosx**d will fail requests and return EL2NSYNC



#### Cache consistency

### Cache Authority Provider Tokens

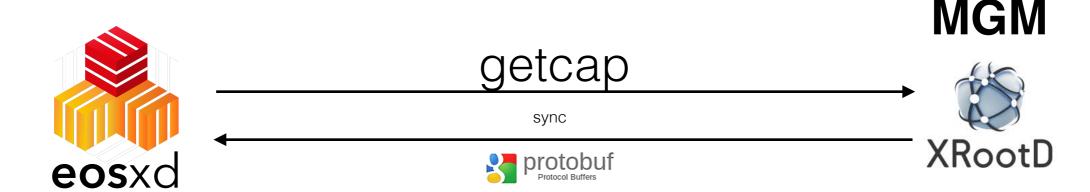


Every FUSE clients retrieves first a **CAP** token for a given directory inode.

This object gets stored on the MGM and **eosxd** client and has a default lifetime of 300s. The token is used to identify whom to call if a directory inode changes meta data or listing information.

A CAP token has embedded several additional policies e.g. client **identity**, client **permissions**, maximum **file size policy** and **quota** information.

```
message cap {
  fixed64 id = 1; //< file/container</pre>
  fixed32 mode = 2; //< granted mode</pre>
  fixed64 vtime = 3; //< valid until unix timestamp</pre>
  fixed64 vtime_ns = 4; //< valid ns resolution</pre>
  sfixed32 uid = 5
                     ; //< user id
  sfixed32 qid = 6
                    ; //< group id
  string clientuuid = 7; //< client uuid
  string clientid = 8; //< client id
  string authid = 9; //< auth id
  fixed32 errc = 10; //< error code
  fixed64 clock = 11 ; //< vector clock of the file/container</pre>
 fixed64 max_file_size = 12; //< maximum file size</pre>
  quota _quota = 13; //< quota information for this cap
```





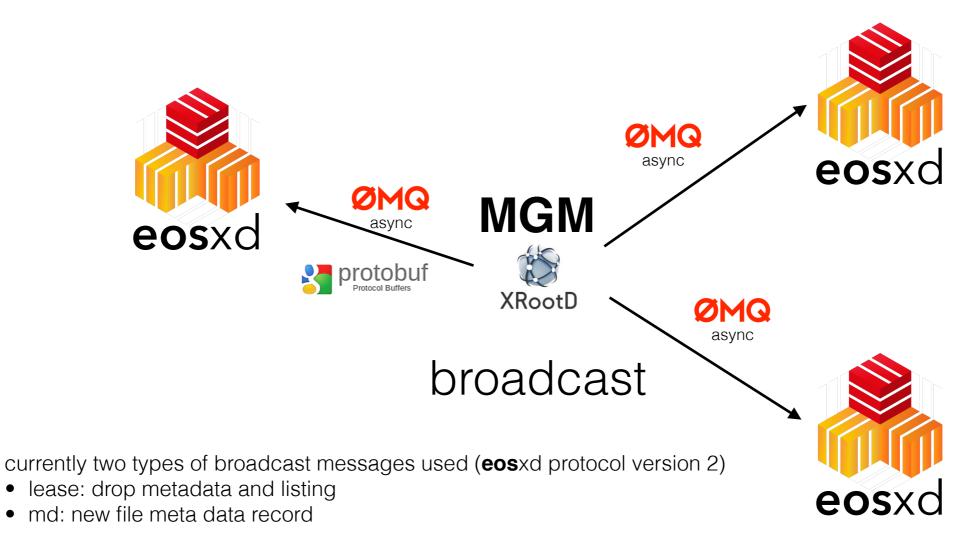
#### Cache consistency

## Cache Authority Provider Callbacks



Whenever meta data information changes on the MGM two callbacks can be invoked

- internal broadcast (triggered by one eosxd client, broadcasts to all concerned clients not himself)
- external broadcast (triggered by external clients like xrdcp, cernbox broadcasts to all concerned clients)





### Cache consistency MGM Console Interface



Who currently uses which directory?

**EOS Console** [root://localhost] |/eos/dev/> fusex ls

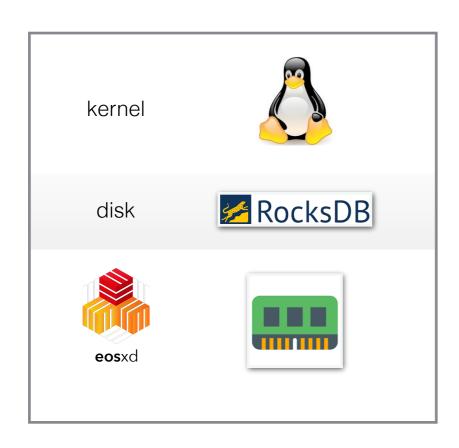
Evict a client (leads to a forced umount on client side)

online Tue, 30 Jan 2018 11:32:17 GMT 1.09 1.14 39f0b606-05b1-11e8-bda6



## Client side caching Meta Data Caching





#### kernel cache

entry cache (listing) attribute cache (stat) [ default lifetime 180s + 5s neg. cache ]

optional

on-disk persistent KV store
entry cache (listing)
attribute cache (stat)
v-node table (inode translation local/remote)

optional

in-memory meta-data map
[ managed via callbacks and FUSE ]

```
enum OP { GET = 0; SET = 1; DELETE = 2; GETCAP = 3; LS = 4; GETLK = 5; SETLK = 6; SETLKW = 7; BEGINFLUSH = 8; ENDFLUSH = 9;}
enum TYPE { MD = 0; MDLS = 1; EXCL = 2;}
                       //< file/container id
fixed64 id = 1;
fixed64 pid = 2;
                       //< parent id
fixed64 ctime = 3
                    ; //< change time
fixed64 ctime_ns = 4; //< ns of creation time
fixed64 mtime = 5 ; //< modification time | deletion time</pre>
fixed64 mtime_ns = 6 ; //< ns of modification time</pre>
fixed64 atime = 7 ; //< access time
fixed64 atime_ns = 8 ; //< ns of access time</pre>
fixed64 btime = 9 ; //< birth time
fixed64 btime_ns = 10; //< ns of birth time</pre>
fixed64 ttime = 11 ; //< tree modification time
fixed64 ttime_ns = 12; //< ns of tree modification time</pre>
fixed64 pmtime = 13 \,; //< tree modification time
fixed64 pmtime_ns = 14; //< ns of tree modification time</pre>
```



## Client side caching Data Caching



3 cache layers

kernel buffer cache

page cache

file start cache

offset 0 ... 2M (default) caching the first 2M of a file

journal cache

size 128M (default)
used as a write-back cache, cleaned on **flush** 

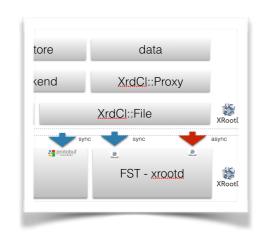
- kernel cache is invalidated via CAP callbacks if files get modified
- file start cache is invalidated via CAP callbacks

(file cookie defined by inode, mtime, size)

- volume based cache cleaning policy
- by default under /var/eos/fusex/cache/
- journal cache is used to persist write operations in flight and to aggregate small sequential writes journal is truncated with each successful FUSE flush call



## Remote IO Data IO





**XrdCl::Proxy** is an extension of the standard XRootD **XrdCl::File** class providing read-ahead and a high-level asynchronous API methods.

#### read-ahead strategies

- none
- static read-ahead window
- **dynamic** read-ahead window (window is increased with every new prefetch until max-size)

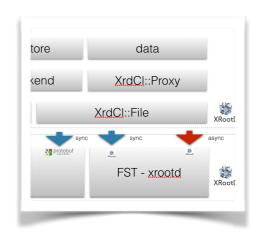
read-ahead is disabled if a read falls outside the read-ahead window.

By default **eos**xd uses a dynamic window starting at 1M scaling to 8M. The read-ahea window has an impact on the memory footprint.

The **XrdCI::Proxy** class measures the read-ahead efficiency.



## Remote IO Data IO





**XrdCl::Proxy** introduces a latency-free asynchronous API, which is not provided by XrdCl::File e.g. you cannot issue a write before an open has finished a.s.o

- OpenAsync
- ScheduleWriteAsync
- ScheduleWriteAsync
- ScheduleWriteAsync
- CloseAsync

=> reason: an *open* can redirect to another machine, but writes should be send only to the final target. You dont' want to send writes to your meta data server!

The corresponding barrier functions are:

- WaitOpen
- WaitWrite
- WaitClose

#### And state functions:

- IsOpen
- HadFailures
- IsClosed

- ...



## half-asynchronous write case Data 10



	FUSE op	file cache	journal		XRootD
A p	create	create ino.dc	create ino.jc		OpenAsync
	write 1	write1 ino.dc	write1 ino.jc	ScheduleWrite 1	Opened
	write 2	write 2 ino.dc	write 2 ino.jc		WriteAsync 1 WriteAsync 2
ic	write 3		write 3 ino.jc jc full	WaitWrite	WriteAsync 3
at io	write 4		write 4 ino.jc		WriteAsync 4
n	write 5		write 5 ino.jc		WriteAsync 4
	flush			HadFailures	
	release				WaitWrite
_					CloseAsync



## Synchronous write case Data 10



	FUSE op	file cache	journal		XRootD
A p pl ic at io n	create (O_SYNC)	local caching i	is bypassed		OpenAsync
	write 1			ScheduleWrite 1 WaitWrite	Opened WriteAsync 1
	write 2			WaitWrite	WriteAsync 2
	write 3			WaitWrite	WriteAsync 3
	write 4			WaitWrite	WriteAsync 4
	write 5			WaitWrite	WriteAsync 4
	flush				
	release				CloseAsync



### Read Recovery

#### Data 10



MGM

- recovery is implemented inside eosxd (not using XrdCl::File recovery)
- falls back to all available replicas/servers
  - uses "?tried=<machine" CGI</li>
- retry period in case all servers are offline can be configured - default 1day



#### Write Recovery

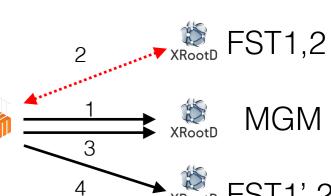
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- recovery is steered from the client
- in case of write failures two recovery scenarios exist
  - new file was created and all data is still in local caches
    - recreate inode placement and replay local caches
  - some data exists only in FSTs, update still in local caches



- recreate inode placement, upload staged file and replay local caches
- requires that the file is still readable
- client uses the 'global flush' facility e.g. no client can open a file which is currently being repaired by a client
- repair window etc. is configurable

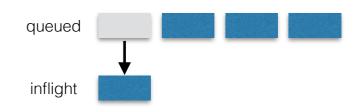




## Memory Management



- XrdCI::Proxy uses two buffer manager (read ahead+ write) to avoid memory explosion
- XrdCI:Proxy limits each manager to max. 1Gb of data in flight
- buffers of a default size of 128k (max kernel write) are recycled in a queue with max. 128 items
   [ max. idle persistent size 16 MB ]



- e.g. important of the client writes data faster than the outgoing network pipe can absorb
- Normal reads require additionally temporary buffers
  - served by third buffer manage with 128 x 128k idle persistent size
  - if more read buffers are required, they are allocated as needed
- total idle persisted buffers are 3 x 16 MB = 48 MB



### Feature Summary



Asynchronous & Synchronous IO (real fsync & O\_SYNC)

Metadata caching (optional stable inodes)

Data caching/journaling

**Kernel** Metadata & Data caching support

IO error recovery

#### **Symlinks**

Byte-range locking

optional extended attributes (birth time eos.btime)

rm -rf level protection

FSYNC filter (removes O\_SYNC flag for certain file types)

CPU core affinity + high scheduler priority (-10)

autofs support

**shared** & **non-shared** mount (by root, by user)

support kerberos/X509 authentication, trusted unix

memory buffer tracking & recycling

client side memory & latency monitoring

**EOS ACLs** 

#### non (yet) supported:

POSIX ACLs (easy with kernel 4.9++)

hardlinks



#### Measurements



#### Performance Metrics

```
1000x mkdir = 870/s

1000x rmdir = 2800/s

1000x touch = 310/s

untar (1000 dirs) = 1.8s

untar (1000 files) = 2.8s
```





>>> test 0001

#### fusex-benchmark

### Performance Metrics



dedicated stress test written to verify race/performance sensitive workloads

```
>>> test 0002
>>> test 0003
>>> test 0004
>>> test 0005
>>> test 0006
>>> test 0007
>>> test 0008
>>> test 0009
>>> test 0010
>>> test 0011
>>> test 0012
>>> test 0013
#0001 : Test::create-delete-loop
                                     2949.578 ms
#0002 : Test::mkdir-flat-loop
                                    97.297 ms
 #0003 : Test::rmdir-flat-loop
                                    7.999 ms
 #0004 : Test::create-pwrite-loop
                                    302.913 ms
 #0005 : Test::delete-loop
                                    17.351 ms
 #0006 : Test::mkdir-p-loop
                                     387.817 ms
 #0007 : Test::echo-append-loop
                                     7267.009 ms
 #0008 : Test::rename-circular-loop 1606.942 ms
 #0009 : Test::truncate-expand-loop 518.711 ms
 #0010 : Test::journal-cache-timing 627.372 ms
 #0011 : Test::dd-diff-16k-loop
                                    1069.299 ms
 #0012 : Test::dd-diff-16M-loop
                                    3328.005 ms
 #0013 : Test::write-unlinked-loop 6654.631 ms
```

[root@slc7 ptest]# /tmp/fusex-benchmark

#### eosxd statics for fusex-benchmark

[root@xxx tree1]# cat /var/log/eos/fusex/fuse.dev.stats
ALL Execution Time 1.66 +- 12.30

" who #	command	sum		5s 1m	nin 5	min	1h exec	(ms) +- sig	ma(ms)
M ALL	:sum	M FuseOPS	1370516	0.00	0.02	548.47	380.80	-NA- +	NA-
ALL	access	WIT USECT S	62	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.02	0.06882 +	- 0.0153
ALL	create		295	0.00	0.00	0.98	0.08	1.73413 +	- 2.4859
ALL	flush		40300	0.00	0.00	67.87	11.20	0.08496 +	- 0.0290
ALL	forget		458	0.00	0.00	1.53	0.13	0.00076 +	- 0.0012
ALL	fsync		22	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.01	53.08414 +	- 38.990
ALL	getattr		653	0.00	0.02	1.84	0.18	0.17546 +	- 0.0783
ALL	getxattr		0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-NA- +	NA-
ALL	listxattr		0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-NA- +	NA-
ALL	lookup		481	0.00	0.00	1.59	0.13	0.00562 +	- 0.0030
ALL	mkdir		163	0.00	0.00	0.55	0.05	1.93330 +	- 5.6150
ALL	mknod		0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-NA- +	NA-
ALL	open		20001	0.00	0.00	33.44	5.56	0.13977 +	- 0.0281
ALL	opendir		228	0.00	0.00	0.76	0.06	0.42964 +	- 0.6815
ALL	read		110	0.00	0.00	0.37	0.03	9.50537 +	- 36.902
ALL	readdir		186	0.00	0.00	0.62	0.05	0.00666 +	- 0.0037
ALL	readlink		0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-NA- +	NA-
ALL	release		20296	0.00	0.00	34.42	5.64	0.00975 +	- 0.0045
ALL	releasedir		228	0.00	0.00	0.76	0.06	0.00243 +	- 0.0014
ALL	removexattr		0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-NA- +	NA-
ALL	rename		0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-NA- +	NA-
ALL	rm		0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-NA- +	NA-
ALL	rmdir		163	0.00	0.00	0.55	0.05	0.05919 +	- 0.0131
ALL	setattr		3	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.37133 +	- 0.2523
ALL	setattr:chmod		0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-NA- +	NA-
ALL	setattr:chown		0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-NA- +	NA-
ALL	setattr:truncate		3	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.18167 +	- 0.2338
ALL	setattr:utimes		0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-NA- +	NA-
ALL	setxattr		0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-NA- +	NA-
ALL	statfs		3	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.38000 +	- 0.4567
ALL	symlink		0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-NA- +	NA-
ALL	unlink		294	0.00	0.00	0.98	0.08	0.38519 +	- 1.1149
ALL	write		1286567	0.00	0.00	401.94	357.48	0.03366 +	- 0.0088

on EL7 machine: max 20kHz write IOPS

fsync slowest operation (fsync's FST disk)



### Code Certification



developed dedicated certification script eos-fusex-certify

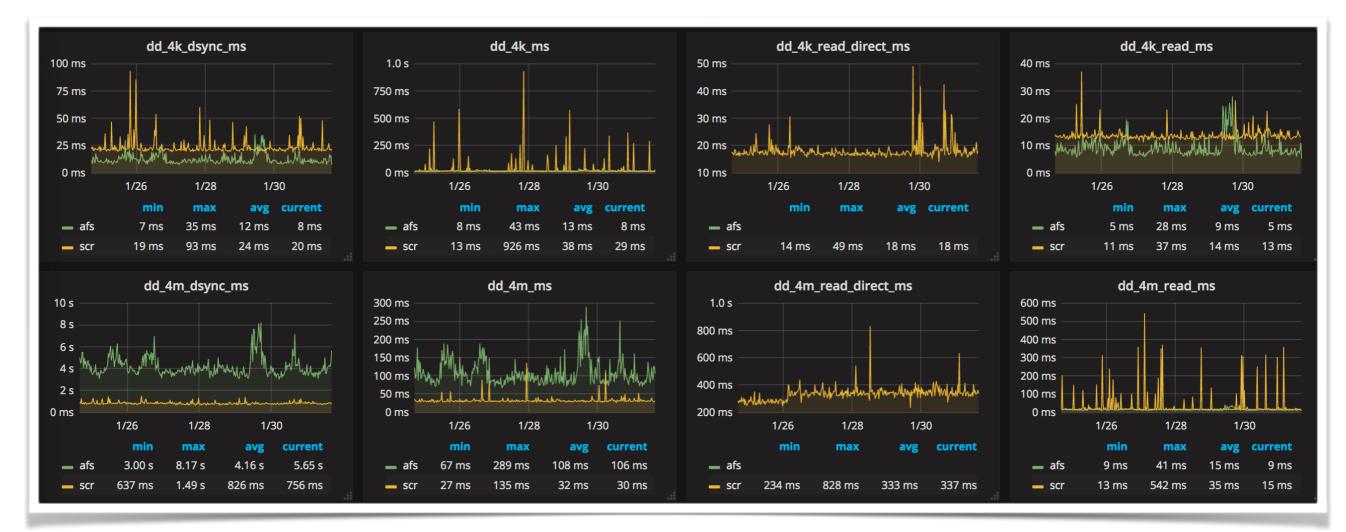
- 1.build zlib rpm (autotools)
- 2.git clone
- 3.rsync trees
- 4.sqlite tests
- 5.microtests
- 6.build eos rpm
- 7.test write recovery



## Comparison to AFS Microtest Performance



production AFS volume compared to EOS instance (1000 disks / 5PB / 50 nodes)





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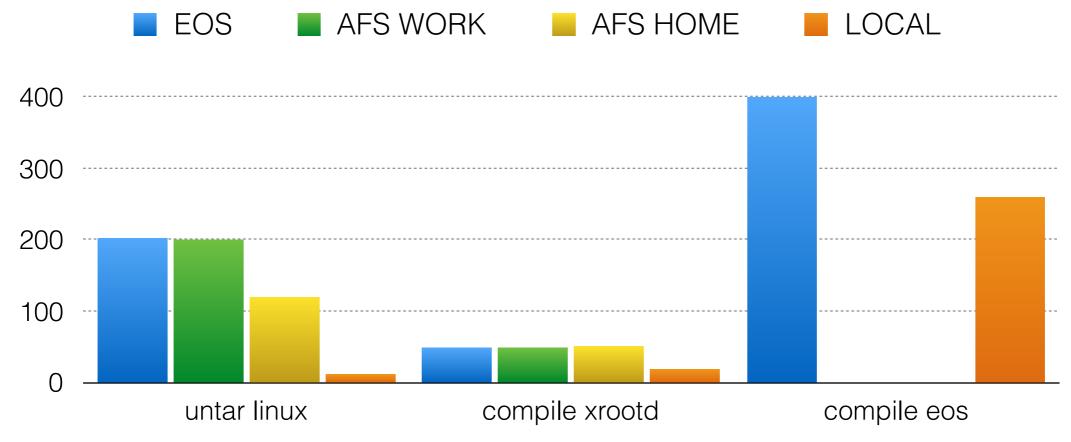




## Comparison to AFS Daily work



- untar linux source (65k files/directories)
- compile xrootd
- compile eos



When comparing, keep in mind: AFS is a kernel implementation, eosxd user space



#### Comparison to AFS

### Known Issues



- race condition/implementation fault:
   listing vs invalidation callback vs kernel cache
  - leads to invisible or ghost entries in listing (in particular when used via NFS)
  - now fully understood WIP fixed in next release
- quota enforcement is (too) lazy e.g. clients can overrun quota within 300s window if files are produced on several machines



## Configuring **eos**xd Configuration File



All you need to know is explained here:

https://gitlab.cern.ch/dss/eos/tree/master/fusex

Simplest way to mount with default settings:

mount -t fuse eosxd eosuat.cern.ch:/eos/scratch /eos/scratch

MGM host

MGM path local mountdir

Mounting with configuration files is explained here:

https://gitlab.cern.ch/dss/eos/tree/master/
fusex#configuration-default-values-and-avoidingconfiguration-files



#### Inspecting **eos**xd

### Statistics File



cat /var/log/eos/fusex/fuse[.instance].stats

```
inodes
                                           inodes known to the mount
ALL
                               := 1
           inodes-todelete
                              := 0
                                            inodes which still need to be deleted
AT<sub>1</sub>T<sub>1</sub>
          inodes-backlog
                                            inodes which are still to be flushed
                               := 0
ALL
          inodes-ever
                                           inodes ever in use
ALL
                               := 1
ALL
          inodes-ever-deleted := 0
                                            inodes ever deleted
ALL
          inodes-open
                                           files currently open
                               := 0
                                           map size local/remote inode translation
          inodes-vmap
                             := 1
ALL
          inodes-caps
                                           map size of CAP token
ATITI
          threads
ALL
                               := 17
                                           threads in use
                              := 336.41 Mb virtual memory size
ALL
          visze
                              := 53.10 Mb physical memory size
All
          rss
          wr-buf-inflight := 0 b
All
                                           size of write buffers in flight
          wr-buf-queued
                              := 0 b
All
                                           size of write buffers recycled
          ra-buf-inflight := 0 b
All
                                           size of read-ahead buffers in flight
All
          ra-buf-queued
                               := 0 b
                                           size of read-ahead buffers recycled
All
          rd-buf-inflight
                               := 0 b
                                           size of read buffers in flight
          rd-buf-queued
All
                               := 0 b
                                           size of read buffers recycled
                               := 4.2.11
All
          version
                                           eosxd version
          fuseversion
                               := 28
                                           fuse protocol version
AT_1
          starttime
                               := 1517583072 start time unix
A11
All
          uptime
                                           uptime in seconds
All
           instance-url
                               := e.cern.ch MGM host
```

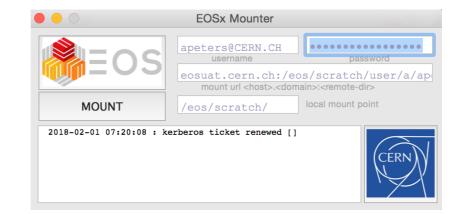
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#### eosxd



### Short-term Q1 Roadmap

- 1.finalise and certify production quality release with protocol version 2 leases & file update broadcast
- 2. validate NFS & CIFS gateway configuration
- 3.validate OS X client



- 4.performance tuning
  - sync->(half-)async MD flush queue (for high latency links)



### Enhancements Possible Evolution



- remove ZMQ, use SSI (see CTA talks)
- implement protocol version 3
  - distinguish shared & exclusive lease
    - shared lease: create/mkdir must be sync call
    - exclusive lease: create/mkdir can be **async** call
       = 3 x performance boost (300 files/s => 1000 files/s)
  - use differential broadcasts
     (instead of invalidating cache, broadcast what has changed)
- support multi MGM deployments



### Enhancements Possible Evolution



 implement Overlay Archive Volumes to get rid of the many small files in EOS

[think of ZIP archives with COW overlay files]

- standard behaviour
  - support RICH acls (requires new kernel)
  - support hardlinks
  - evaluate permissions on files
- FUSE3 write-back cache (requires new kernel)



### Summary



- implementing a reliable & performant filesystem client is a complex task
- re-implementation has good performance indicators and much improved posix-ness
  - nevertheless EOS by design is not full posix compliant similar to AFS
  - FUSE can not compete in some aspects with a kernel FS driver
- implementation is almost feature complete (missing hardlinks)
- we will certainly collect production experience this year
  - target use is with QuarkDB backend it is a threat to the in-memory namespace

A gentil reminder: if you need a parallel filesystem, use one.

If you need a posix filesystem, use one.

If you can use a local filesystem, use one.

eosxd is neither of the latter.



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