

Providing large-scale disk storage

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Service grows faster than available hardware

Scale-up limitations

- Routine maintenance becomes a burden
- Boot time skyrockets

QuarkDB

"A highly available datastore with a Redis-like interface"





See A. Manzi's talk right after¹

¹https://indico.cern.ch/event/587955/contributions/2936873/





How to upgrade ${\sim}1300$ machines with minimal disruption?

Automation is key

- Rundeck: IT Operations management platform
- Leveraged components of CERN's "Agile" infrastructure
- Only raise attention when stuck

$${\sim}30$$
 machines per day ${\Rightarrow}2$ months



CentOS7

EOS RUNDECK - 🛢 EOS-Ops Jobs Nodes Commands Activity Project -

ops 💼

■ <u>Major OS Upgrade (reinstall)</u> I Action -

Upgrade between major OS releases (SLC6 to Centos7) More...♥

This workflow will pick machines not matching operatingsystemmajorrelease in PuppetDB and upgrade them.

Prepare and Run	Definition	
instance		Run Job Now 🕨
	EOS instance name (without leading "eos")	Follow execution
Log level	Normal Debug Debug level produces more output	

Statistics



WLCG Accounting

EOS now supports CRIC² compatible reporting

```
{
    "numberoffiles" : 35551,
    "path" : [ "/eos/opstest/fts/tbtest/" ],
    "timestamp" : 1530540012,
    "totalsize" : 300000000000,
    "usedsize" : 2928224959894,
    "vos" : [ "dteam" ]
}
```

²Computing Resource Information Catalogue



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BEER (Batch on EOS Extra Resources)

See D. Smith's talk³

³https://indico.cern.ch/event/587955/contributions/2937728/



"Monster" machines

Storage node

- Compute node
- 10 (or 40) Gbit/s network interface
- 4x SAS expander

Storage array (8x)

- Dummy SAS array
- 24x 12TB drives





"Monster" machines

Lower the server overhead

- EOS has Erasure Coding support
- EOS also has a lifecycle/workflow engine
- Target is cold-er data



Fault-detection

EOS data transfers

- Diskserver to diskserver traffic
- Users see strange errors on close()

"It's always the network !"



Fault-detection

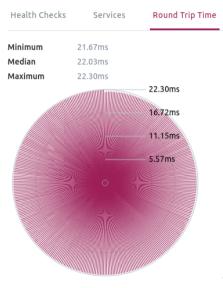
Consul: distributed key-value store (and service catalog)

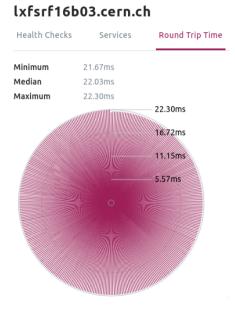
- Was meant for some internal experiment
- Nodes monitor each other^a
- Ended up identifying possible network problems

^aSWIM: http://www.cs.cornell.edu/info/projects/spinglass/public_pdfs/swim.pdf

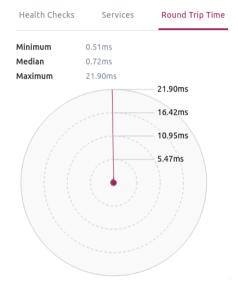


lxfsrf16b03.cern.ch





p06636710f31337.cern.ch



Fault-detection

2018/07/02 14:41:57 [WARN] memberlist: Was able to connect to lxfsrf16b03.cern.ch → but other probes failed, network may be misconfigured 2018/07/02 15:06:32 [WARN] memberlist: Was able to connect to lxfsrf16b03.cern.ch → but other probes failed, network may be misconfigured 2018/07/02 15:25:35 [WARN] memberlist: Was able to connect to lxfsrf16b03.cern.ch → but other probes failed, network may be misconfigured 2018/07/02 15:43:41 [WARN] memberlist: Was able to connect to lxfsrf16b03.cern.ch → but other probes failed, network may be misconfigured 2018/07/02 15:43:41 [WARN] memberlist: Was able to connect to lxfsrf16b03.cern.ch → but other probes failed, network may be misconfigured 2018/07/02 16:03:21 [WARN] memberlist: Was able to connect to lxfsrf16b03.cern.ch → but other probes failed, network may be misconfigured





See H. Gonzalez Labrador's talk https://indico.cern.ch/event/587955/contributions/2936817/



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S3: Simple Storage Service

HTTP-based object store (AWS S3-like) based on Ceph

- Became an official service this year^a
- Pre-signed URLs, lifecycle policies, static websites
- ${\sim}1$ PB using Erasure Coding
- IPv6-only internal traffic in the cluster

^aMainly for disaster recovery use cases





Virtual NFS filer service

Currently

- Quota management tedious
- · Labour-intensive creation of new filers
- Performance doesn't scale horizontally

Evolving to Manila-based self-service using CephFS





CephFS for HPC: https://indico.cern.ch/event/587955/contributions/2936868/



Thank you !





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