Advanced System Monitoring in PTP

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Part I: System Monitoring – status quo

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PTP Monitoring Scope

- job and system monitoring of large-scale supercomputers
- examples for large-scale systems monitored with PTP:
 - BG/Q system JUQUEEN (JSC), LoadLeveler, 458K cores
 - Cray XT Jaguar (ORNL), TORQUE+ALPS, 299K cores
 - Kraken (NICS), Moab+PBS, 112K cores
 - Yellowstone (NCAR), LSF, 72K cores
- monitoring of multiple target systems in one perspective
- support for many batch systems (Grid Engine, LoadLeveler, Open MPI, PBS, Slurm, Torque, LSF)
- overview of the system on a single screen
- uniform interface to supercomputers
- based on monitoring application LLview



PTP Monitoring Perspective

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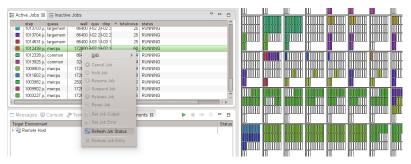
Monitoring Views

- Nodes View renders target system architecture, maps jobs to compute resources
- Active Jobs View lists running jobs
- Inactive Jobs View lists queued jobs
- Monitoring View selects active target system, starts/stops monitoring
- Message View shows message of the day



User interaction

- job management: cancel, get output/error
- filtering: show only user jobs, flexible filtering dialog
- linking information: click on job → highlight its nodes in Nodes View, show detail information in Message View
- change level of detail



Part II: Short term enhancements

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Job selection

- raised in bug 403060
- allow selection of multiple jobs
- keep selected job selected until it is de-selected
- mark entire connected area of each job

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- currently set to 7 px
- ensure, that rectangle width/height are at least 7 px large, if possible take more space

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- map system topology into LML layout
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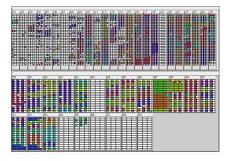
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- hierarchy
- level of detail



Job handling and additional job list

Completed jobs

- jobs submitted externally disappear when completed
- if batch system does not list them, the job entries are lost
- idea: keep track of user's running jobs, which are removed on update

New job list

- currently: active and inactive jobs
- better: submitted, active and completed jobs

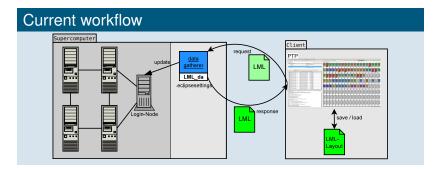
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Caching LML files

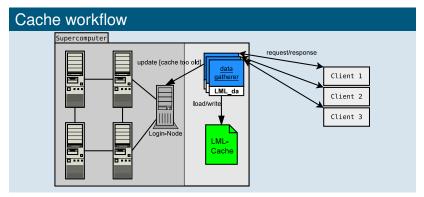
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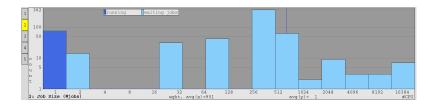


New monitoring views

- derived from LLview, new monitoring types are possible
- fast overview on system statistics, history and prediction
- data description is already included in LML
- todo: data generation and visualization for new diagrams



Histograms

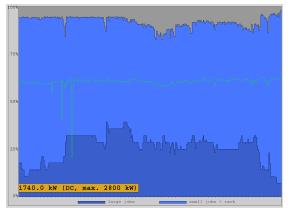


- statistical data rendered as histograms
- visualization of job parameter distribution: queue, size, waiting time



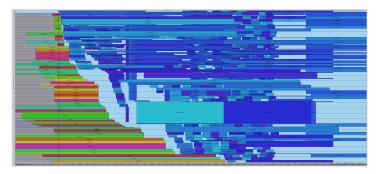
Load history

- usage history of the target system (e.g. last 3 days)
- extendable for power/memory/accelerator usage
- requires LML log, switch to stateful server





Prediction diagram



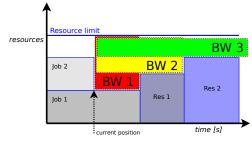
- Gantt chart visualization of future workload
- each rectangle represents one job, x-axis → time, y-axis → resources
- requires JuFo integration (see next slides) for simulation of future schedule

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JuFo – Overview

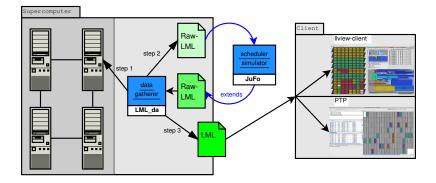
- configurable simulator for global job schedulers for on-line prediction of job dispatch dates
- based on analysis of JSC batch systems Moab and Loadleveler
- integrated with monitoring system LLview
- LML as configuration and communication data format
- use-cases:
 - user predicts start dates of submitted jobs
 - administrator simulates job scheduler performance with various input parameters, verifies scheduling rules



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JuFo integration



- implemented in C++, additional installation step required
- simulation duration: 1-90 seconds \Rightarrow caching

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JuFo – Features

supported scheduling algorithms

- First-Come-First-Served
- List-Scheduling
- Backfilling

available simulation parameters

- generic job prioritization
- advanced reservations
- jobs can request CPUs, GPUs, memory
- nodesharing
- queue constraints
- test framework for evaluating JuFo's accuracy

Part IV: Conclusion

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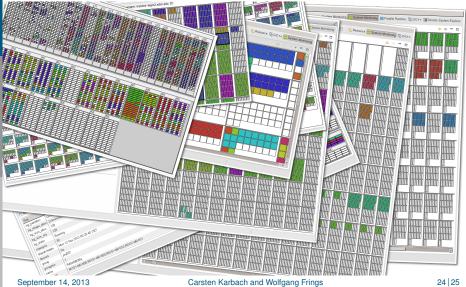


Conclusion

- PTP provides monitoring system for large-scale supercomputers
- monitoring views: job lists, nodes view
- short term enhancements:
 - adjust job selection, multiple jobs
 - simpler detection of small jobs
 - create customized LML layouts
- Iong term enhancements:
 - LML file caching
 - new monitoring views: histograms, history, prediction
 - integration of JuFo



Your ideas?



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