Enabling ROOT Queries Using a Distributed Data Storage Architecture.

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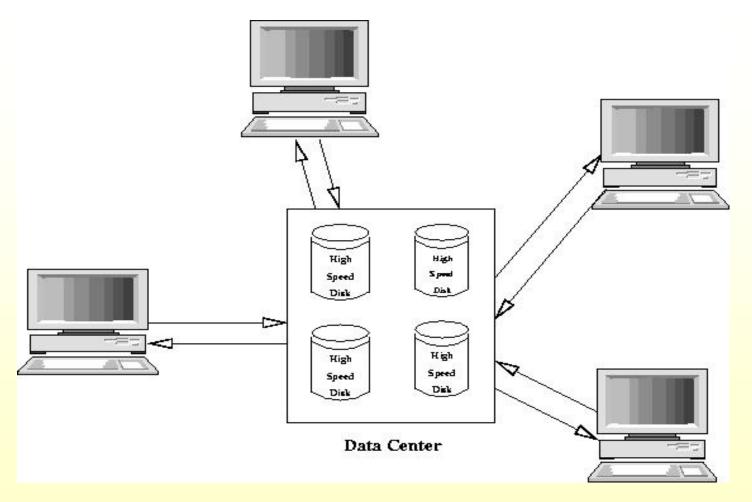
Main Idea

Do Not Move Data!



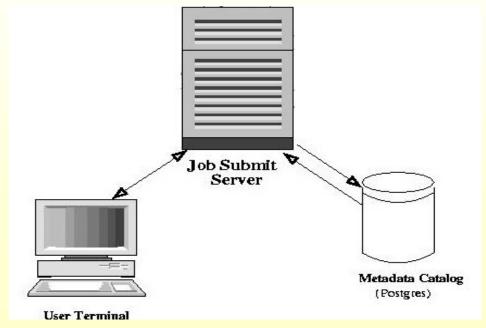
Each Node Stores And Is
Reponsible By a Subset of The
Whole Data.

Usual Way



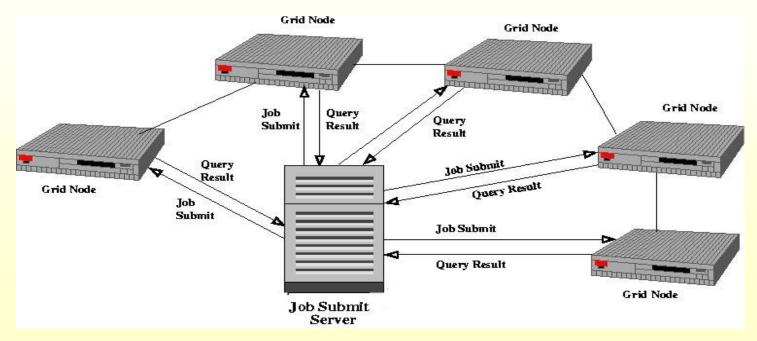
GridPT Project

- User submit a ROOT query through a interface to Job Submit Server.
- Job submit information will be stored in the Metadata Catalog.

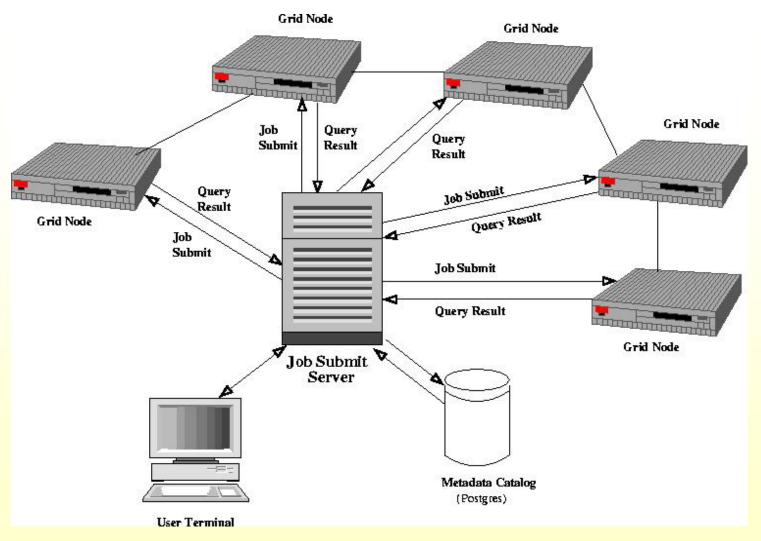


GridPT Project

- The job is submitted to the grid nodes using Globus API functions.
- All the nodes query their own information with ROOT and retrieve a ROOT file with a TTree.



- Job Submit Server receive the ROOT Files from the Grid nodes and produce a final ROOT Final with the result of the query.
- User can download or consult the final file because it is a TTree.
- User can also visualize the state of the job in each Grid node.



The Technologies

The Technologies involved in the prototype are:

- ROOT
- Globus
- Postgres

- LDAP
- PHP

Relevant Features Used

ROOT

- TObject
- TTree
- CINT
- Filtering data from TTree
- ROOT I/O
- TChain

Relevant Features Used

Carrot

- Browsing ROOT files
- Histograming variables

Globus

• Toolkit that provides GRID API functions.

<u>Postgres</u>

• Metadata Catalog Implementation.

Relevant Features Used

LDAP

• Query GRID node information.

<u>PHP</u>

- Create interface between web browser and system.
- And also users preform query through this interface.

ROOT Work In The System

- ROOT has a very important work in the system.
- Stores the information in each node using TTree's.
- Filter the information in each node and retrieve a result file that include a TTree.
- Join all the result files in the Job Submit Server using a TChain and produces a final TTree that is the query result.
- View the final result file with a TBrowser or with Carrot.

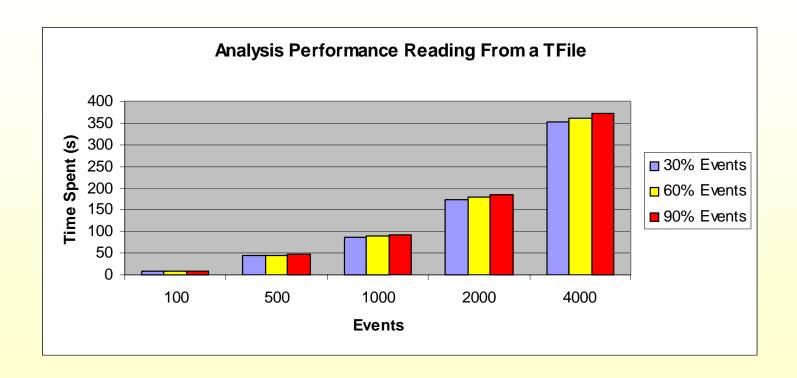
Reading Events From TTree's Or From Files

- Events Can Be Stored In Different Ways:
 - In a Ttree
 - Event by Event in The File (Using TObject method "Write()")
- Why Use The Second Way?
 - Because the Events Are Processed One By One
 - They Are Organized in a Better Way Inside The File
 - The Size of The File is Almost The Same as Using TTree

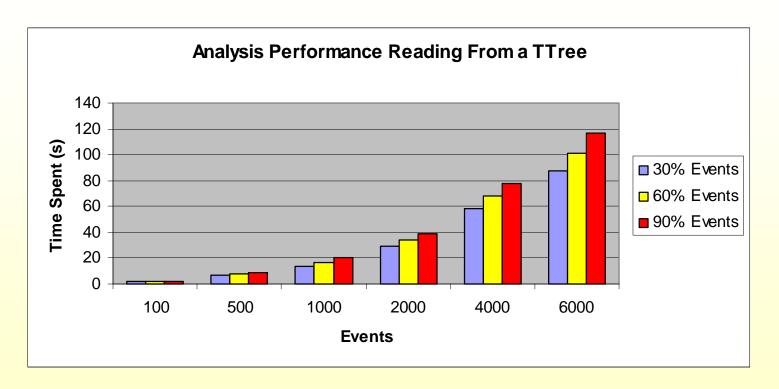
- Problems Found
 - Reading Event by Event is Much More Slower Comparing With TTree's because has much more I/O transactions.
- How We Read Events
 - Here's How We Read Event's From a TFile:

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TFile *f =new TFile("Evento.root");
Event *e =new Event();
e = (Event*)f->Get("Event;1");
```

- Results Obtained



- Results Obtained



Pros and Cons

Advantages

- Commodity Data Storage.
- Huge Scalability (400 GB/node).

Problems

- Load balancing
 Suitable storage policy
- Fault tolerance. Data replication or Backup

Future Developements

- Develop a storage mechanism to submit more work to the best nodes.
- Provide to user several interfaces to submit work.