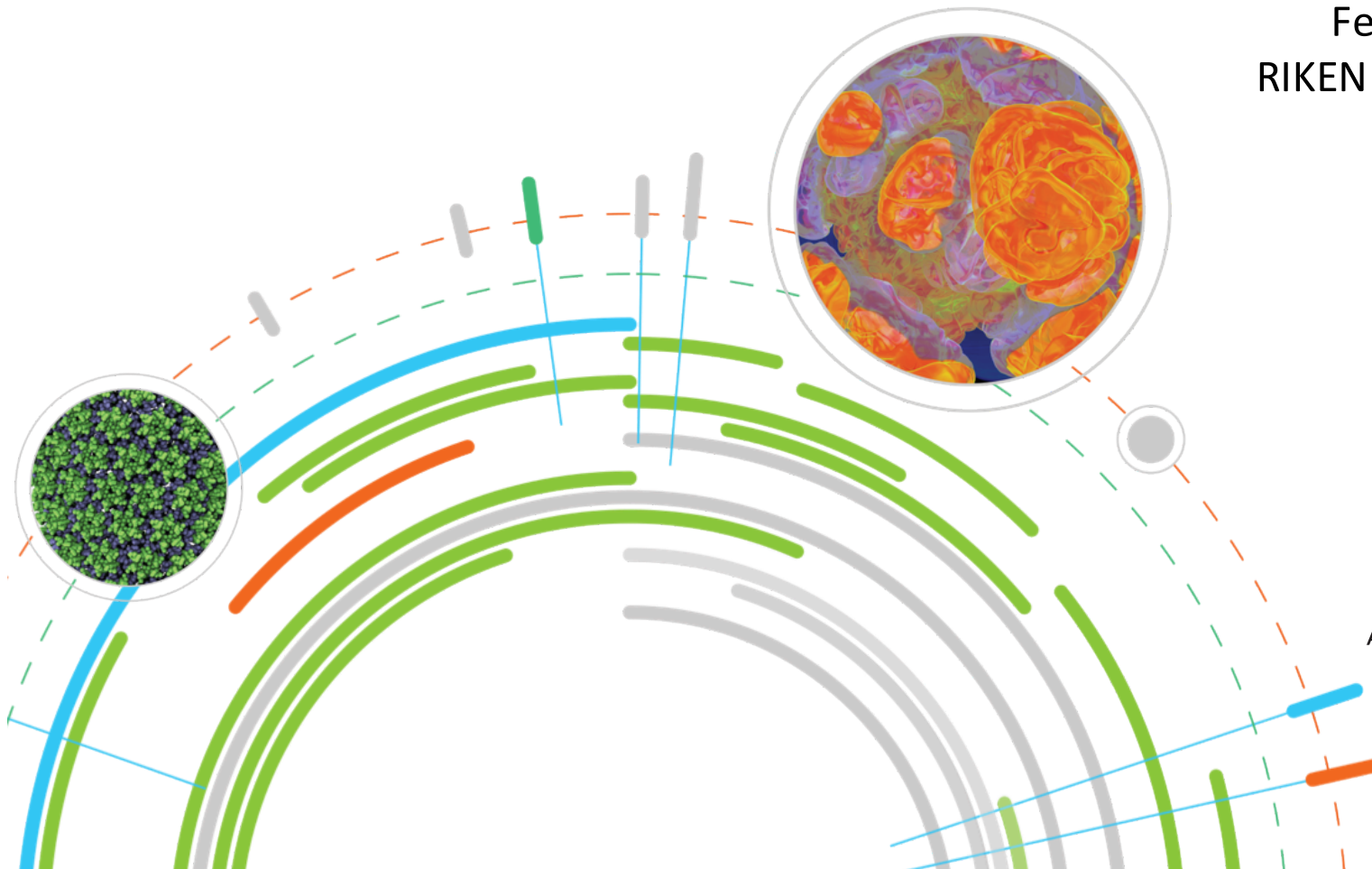


ALCF Operations Best Practices and Highlights

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Overview

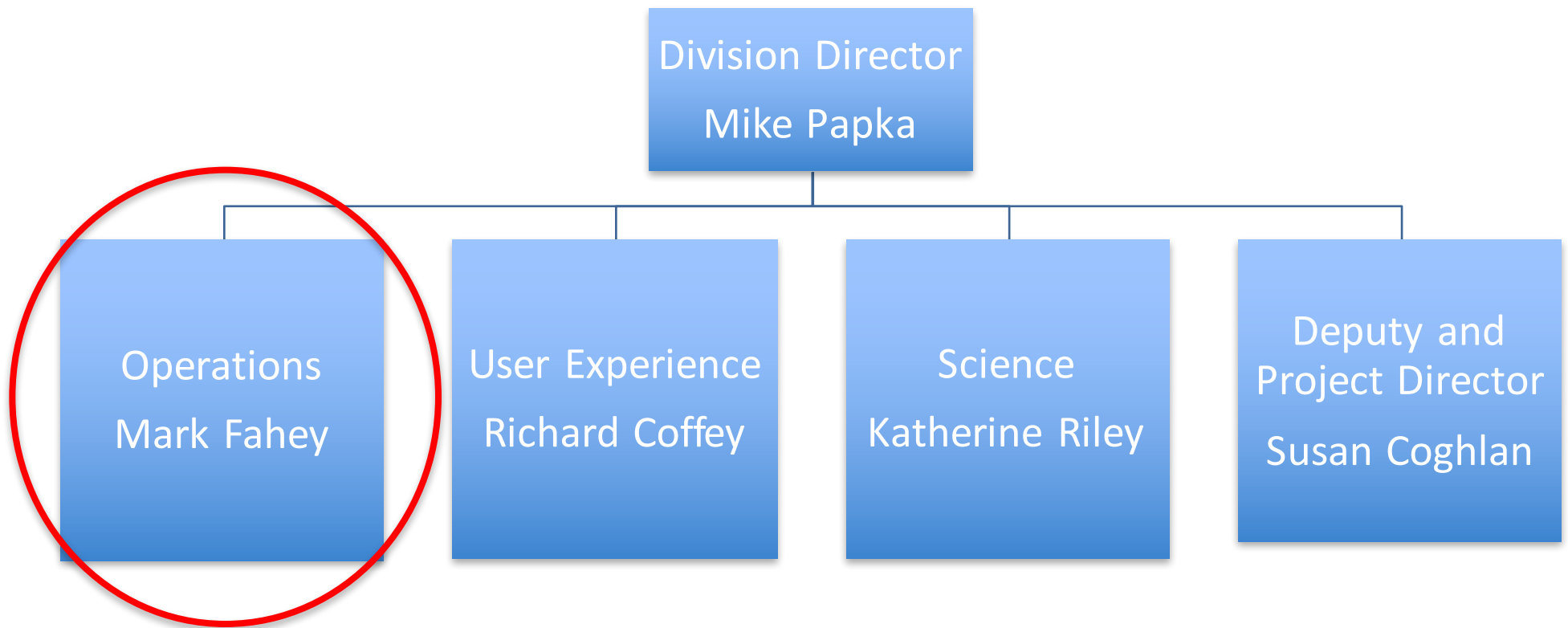
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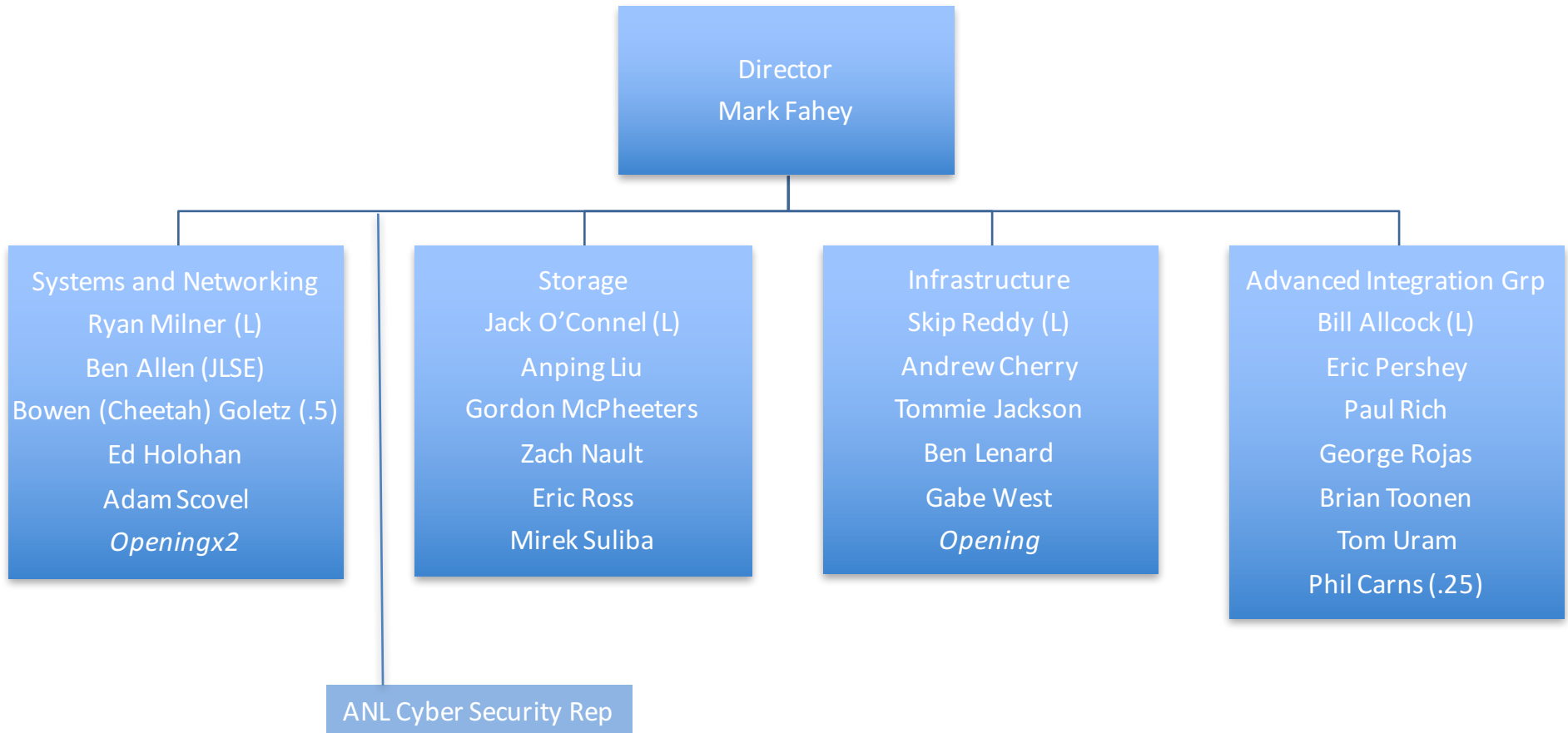
- ⦿ Supported by the DOE's Advanced Scientific Computing Research program, the Argonne Leadership Computing Facility is one of two DOE Leadership Computing Facility (LCF) centers in the nation dedicated to open science.
- ⦿ The LCFs deploy two diverse high-performance computer architectures that are 10 to 100 times more powerful than systems typically available for open scientific research.
- ⦿ The LCF provides world-class computational capabilities to the scientific and engineering community to advance fundamental discovery and understanding in a broad range of disciplines.



ALCF Structure



ALCF Operations Org Chart



Mira - IBM Blue Gene/Q

- ⦿ 49,152 nodes / 786,432 cores
- ⦿ 768 TB of memory
- ⦿ Peak flop rate: 10 PF
- ⦿ Linpack flop rate: 8.1 PF
- ⦿ 48 racks
- ⦿ 16 1,600 MHz PowerPC A2 cores per node
- ⦿ 5D torus interconnect
- ⦿ 384 I/O nodes

Mira and her cables



Other ALCF resources

- ⊙ **Cetus** (T&D and prod.) – IBM Blue Gene/Q
 - ⊙ 4,096 nodes / 65,536 cores
 - ⊙ 64 TB of memory
 - ⊙ 838 TF peak flop rate
- ⊙ **Vesta** (T&D) – IBM Blue Gene/Q
 - ⊙ 2,048 nodes / 32,768 cores
 - ⊙ 32 TB of memory
 - ⊙ 419 TF peak flop rate
- ⊙ **Cooley** (Visualization) – Cray + NVIDIA
 - ⊙ 126 nodes / 1512 x86 cores (Haswell)
 - ⊙ 126 NVIDIA Tesla K80 GPUs
 - ⊙ 47 TB x86 memory / 3 TB GPU memory
 - ⊙ 293 TF peak flop rate



IBM Blue Gene/Q

Current ALCF
GPFS File System
Infrastructure



25 DDN SFA12KE
Couplets
w/embedded VM
file servers

40Gb/s Mellanox IB

(GPFS Mounts)

Mira-home cluster

1PB capacity

22 GB/s sustained
bandwidth

24 embedded VM

DDN SFA12KE

Mira-fs0 cluster

19PB capacity

240 GB/s sustained
bandwidth

128 embedded VM

DDN SFA12KE

Mira-fs1 cluster

7PB capacity

90 GB/s sustained
bandwidth

48 embedded VM

DDN SFA12KE

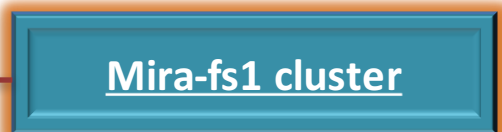
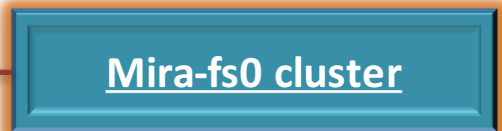
Coming soon
GPFS File System
Infrastructure



Integration of IBM
Elastic Storage System
as a burst buffer for
Mira and Cetus

40Gb/s Mellanox IB

(GPFS Mounts)

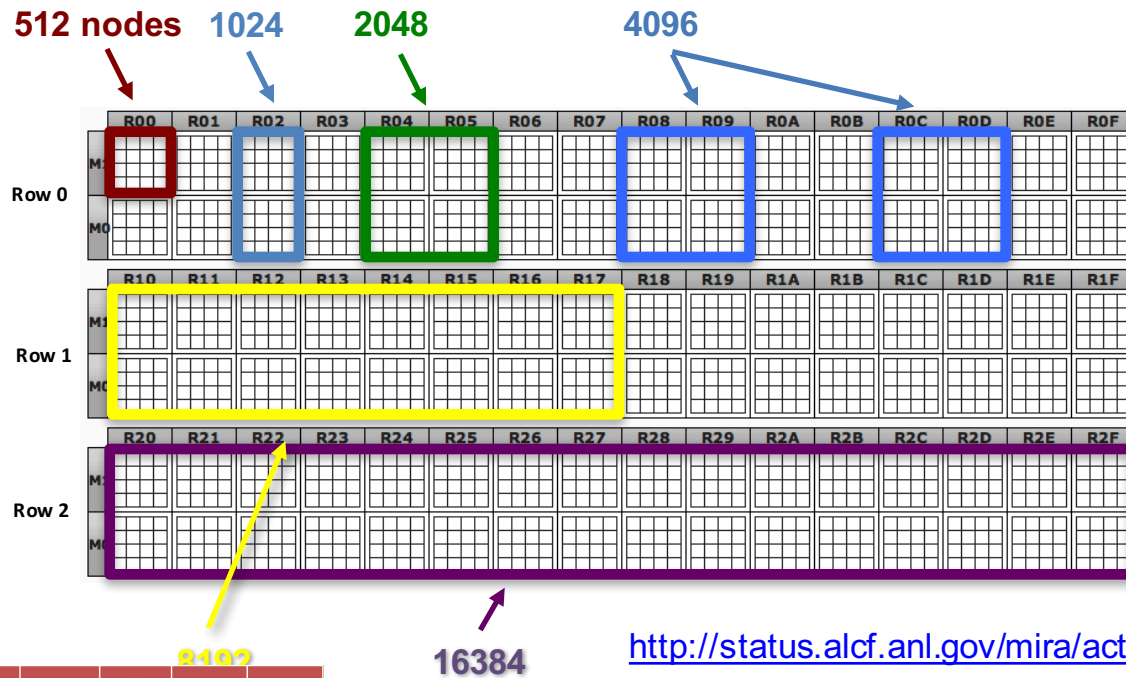


In progress

Scheduling - Cobalt

- ⊙ Originally COBALT (Component-Based Lightweight Toolkit) was a set of component-based system software for system and resource management developed within Argonne's Mathematics and Computer Science Division
- ⊙ Cobalt is a set of system software for high performance machines
 - ⊙ The main piece is a set of resource management components for IBM BG systems and clusters.
- ⊙ ALCF adopted the resource scheduling component and continued to enhance it for use within the facility
 - ⊙ ALCF sees resource scheduling a major component of future facilities and its research/development efforts are focused on future needs

Mira multiple rack partitions (“blocks”)



The number of large block sizes possible is:

# of nodes	# of blocks
49152	1
32768	3
24576	2
16384	9
12288	12
8192	6
4096	12
2048	24
1024	64
512	96

Nodes	A	B	C	D	E
512	4	4	4	4	2
1024	4	4	4	8	2
2048	4	4	4	16	2
4096	4/8	4	8/4	16	2
8192	4	4	16	16	2
12288	8	4	12	16	2
16384	4/8	8/4	16	16	2
24576	4	12	16	16	2
32768	8	8	16	16	2
49152	8	12	16	16	2

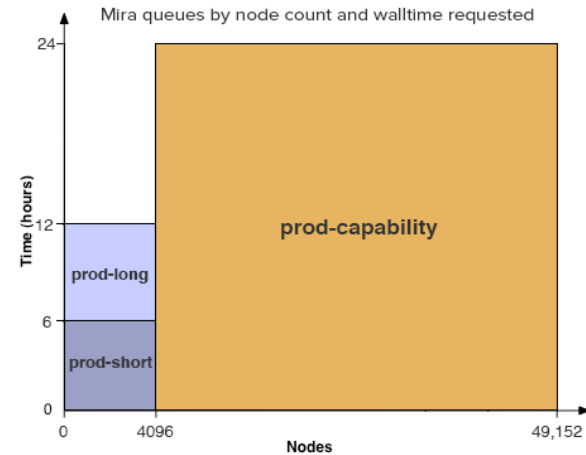
partlist will show you if a large free block is busy due to a wiring dependency

<http://status.alcf.anl.gov/mira/activity>

Mira job scheduling

- ⊙ Restrictions in queues
 - ⊙ **prod-long**: restricted to the row 0.
 - ⊙ **prod-short, prod-capability**: can run in the full machine

<http://www.alcf.anl.gov/user-guides/job-scheduling-policy-bg-q-systems>



User Queued	Underlying Queue	Nodes	Wall-clock Time (hours)	Max. Running per User	Max. Queued per User
prod	prod-short	512 - 4096	0 - ≤6	5	20
	prod-long	512 - 4096	>6 - 12	5	20
	prod-capability	4097 - 49152	0 - 24	5	20
	backfill (*)	512 - 49152	0 - 6	5	20
prod-1024-torus	prod-1024-torus	1024	0 - 12	5	16
prod-32768-torus	prod-32768-torus	32768	0 - 24	1	20

(*) This queue is automatically selected based on the scheduling policy.

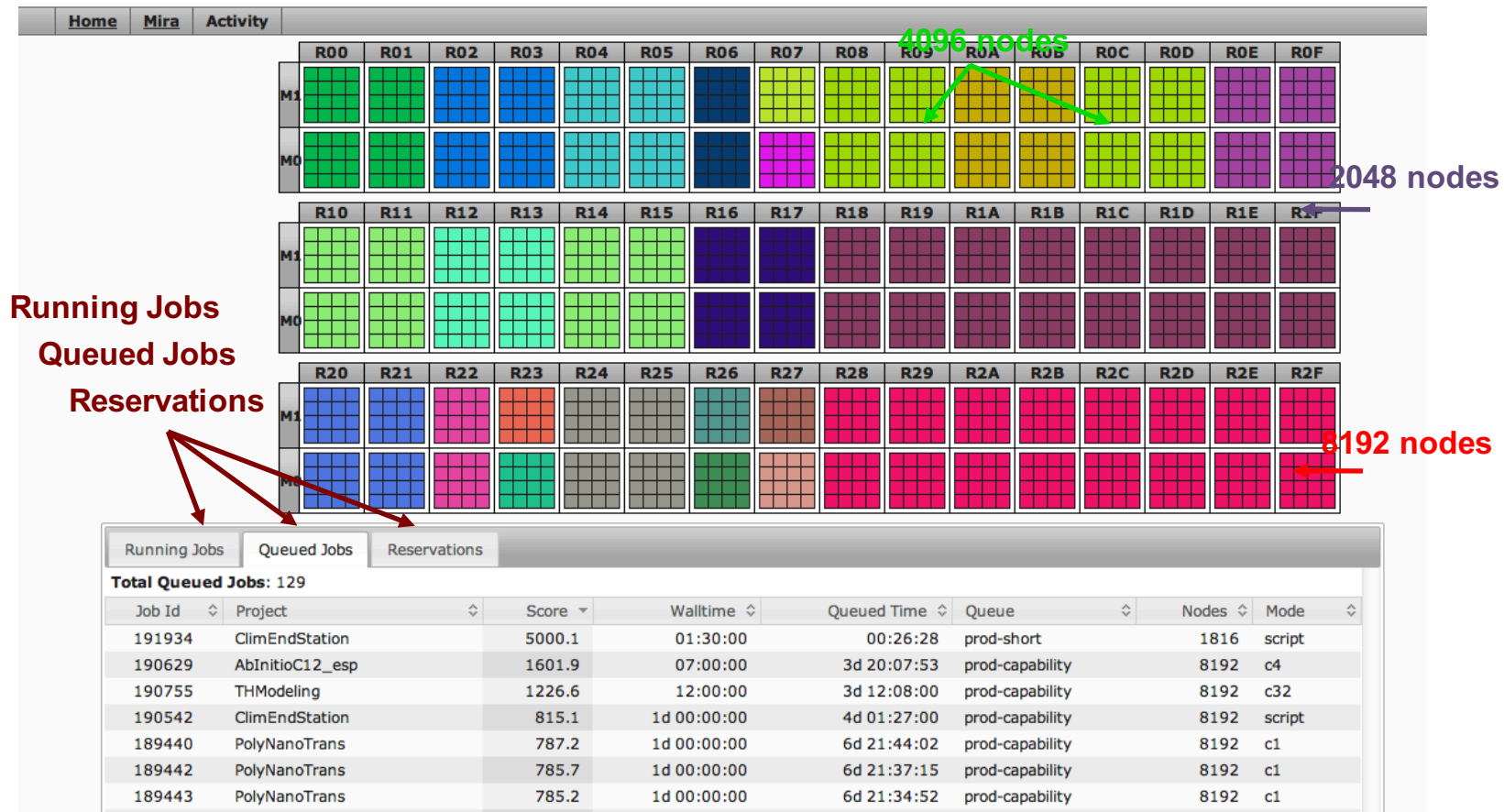
- **I/O to compute node ratio 1:128**

Machine status web page



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Mira Activity



<http://status.alcf.anl.gov/mira/activity>

Monitoring

- ⊙ Check_MK is a comprehensive Open-Source-Solution for monitoring developed around the Nagios-core
 - ⊙ Allows creating rule-based configuration using Python and offloading work from the Nagios core to make it scale better, allowing more systems to be monitored from a single Nagios server
 - ⊙ Checks that consist of agent-side and server-side parts
- ⊙ Check_MK is monitored using monit and MRTG
- ⊙ Team members are asked to subscribe to categories of alerts. Individual subscriptions are meant to ensure that notifications remain relevant for each team member.
- ⊙ Stakeholders are required to tune the monitoring of hosts and services

Monitoring - Slack integration

The ALCF Check_MK instance is further customized to publish alerts to a dedicated channel using the SLACK API

#monitor-alcf2 Check_MK Firehose - Di... 17 Search

Yesterday

- cmk_crit** BOT 20:06
12-15-2015 02:06:16 *miralac4* :: [gronkd health check](#) :: CRITICAL -> CRITICAL (PROBLEM) :: CRITICAL - Socket timeout after 10 seconds
- cmk_recovery** BOT 20:07
12-15-2015 02:07:14 *miralac4* :: [gronkd health check](#) :: CRITICAL -> OK (RECOVERY) :: HTTP OK: HTTP/1.0 200 OK - 133 bytes in 8.263 second response time
- cmk_crit** BOT 22:09
12-15-2015 04:09:23 *scribe* :: [fs_/var/log/remote](#) :: CRITICAL -> CRITICAL (PROBLEM) :: CRIT - 16.1% used (736.83 of 4579.0 GB), (levels at 80.00/90.00%), trend: +14.96GB / 24 hours - growing too fast (levels at 2.93GB/9.77GB per 24.0h)!!!

Today

- cmk_crit** BOT 00:12
12-15-2015 06:12:52 *cooleylogin2* :: [CPU load](#) :: WARNING -> CRITICAL (PROBLEM) :: CRIT - 15min load 126.29 at 12 CPUs, (critical level at 10.00)
- cmk_warning** BOT 00:15
12-15-2015 06:15:52 *cooleylogin2* :: [CPU load](#) :: CRITICAL -> WARNING (PROBLEM) :: WARN - 15min load 117.71 at 12 CPUs, (warning level at 5.00)
- cmk_recovery** BOT 00:26
12-15-2015 06:26:52 *cooleylogin2* :: [CPU load](#) :: WARNING -> OK (RECOVERY) :: OK - 15min load 58.37 at 12 CPUs

Check_MK GUI

Standard UI landing

~720 - hosts monitored

~50000 - services monitored

~10 - host checks per second

~1200 - service checks per second

ALCF monitoring statistics

Host and service views

Services of Hosts 172 rows rmliner (admin) 14:03

WATO Edit View Availability

State	Service	Status detail	Age	Checked	Icons	Perf-O-Meter
OK	Check_MK	OK - Agent version 1.2.4p2-1c4, execution time 1.5 sec	2015-10-19 16:23:08	2015-12-15 20:02:00		1.5s
OK	CPU load	OK - 15min load 0.06 at 8 CPUs	2013-12-12 22:47:52	2015-12-15 20:02:01		0.2
OK	CPU utilization	OK - user: 0.1%, system: 0.4%, wait: 0.0%	2013-12-12 22:47:52	2015-12-15 20:02:01		0%
OK	Disk IO SUMMARY	OK - 0.00B/sec read, 44.13kB/sec write, IOs: 2.78/sec	2013-12-12 22:47:52	2015-12-15 20:02:01		0.00M/s 0.04M/s
OK	fs_/_	OK - 38.3% used (7.54 of 19.7 GB), (levels at 80.00/90.00%), trend: +643.93B / 24 hours	2013-12-12 22:47:52	2015-12-15 20:02:01		38.31%
OK	fs_/boot	OK - 26.0% used (0.12 of 0.5 GB), (levels at 80.00/90.00%), trend: +195.50B / 24 hours	2013-12-12 22:47:52	2015-12-15 20:02:01		25.97%
OK	fs_/boot/efi	OK - 0.2% used (0.00 of 0.1 GB), (levels at 80.00/90.00%), trend: 0.00B / 24 hours	2013-12-12 22:47:52	2015-12-15 20:02:01		0.25%
OK	fs_/opt	OK - 15.5% used (3.06 of 19.7 GB), (levels at 80.00/90.00%), trend: 0.00B / 24 hours	2013-12-12 22:47:52	2015-12-15 20:02:01		15.53%
OK	fs_/tmp	OK - 6.9% used (0.63 of 9.2 GB), (levels at 80.00/90.00%), trend: +7.19kB / 24 hours	2013-12-12 22:47:52	2015-12-15 20:02:01		6.86%
OK	fs_/var	OK - 19.4% used (7.66 of 39.4 GB), (levels at 80.00/90.00%), trend: +7.92MB / 24 hours	2013-12-12 22:47:52	2015-12-15 20:02:01		19.45%
OK	Interface eth0	OK - [3] (up) MAC: 5c:f3:fc:e2:b2:94, speed unknown, in: 1.65kB/s, out: 529.89B/s	2015-05-11 18:08:06	2015-12-15 20:02:01		1.6kB/s 529.9B/s
OK	Interface eth1	OK - [4] (up) MAC: 5c:f3:fc:e2:b2:96, speed unknown, in: 7.26kB/s, out: 4.63kB/s	2015-04-18 00:33:46	2015-12-15 20:02:01		7.3kB/s 4.6kB/s
OK	Interface eth2	OK - [5] (up) MAC: 5c:f3:fc:34:a5:0c, speed unknown, in: 3.20kB/s, out: 2.92kB/s	2015-01-28 01:25:54	2015-12-15 20:02:01		3.2kB/s 2.9kB/s
OK	Interface ib0	OK - [2] (up) MAC: 80:00:00:48:fe:80:00:00:00:00:00:00:00:00:02:c9:03:00:4d:9d:d5, speed unknown, in: 587.12B/s, out: 0.00B/s	2013-12-12 22:47:52	2015-12-15 20:02:01		587.1B/s 0.0B/s
OK	Interface lo	OK - [1] (up) MAC: 00:00, speed unknown, in: 46.23B/s, out: 46.20B/s	2013-12-12 22:47:52	2015-12-15 20:02:01		46.2B/s 46.2B/s
OK	Interface xeth0	OK - [8] (up) MAC: 00:02:c9:4d:9d:d5, speed unknown, in: 172.86B/s, out: 607.47B/s	2014-02-05 01:58:38	2015-12-15 20:02:01		172.9B/s 607.5B/s
OK	IPMI Sensor Cable/Interconnect_Video_USB	OK - Sensor status is Cable/Interconnect_is_connected	2014-08-05 17:24:49	2015-12-15 20:02:01		
OK	IPMI Sensor Chip_Set_Sys_Board_Fault	OK - Sensor status is OK	2014-08-05 17:24:49	2015-12-15 20:02:01		
OK	IPMI Sensor Cooling_Device_Cooling_Zone_1	OK - Sensor status is Fully_Redundant	2014-08-05 17:24:49	2015-12-15 20:02:01		
OK	IPMI Sensor Cooling_Device_Cooling_Zone_2	OK - Sensor status is Fully_Redundant	2014-08-05 17:24:49	2015-12-15 20:02:01		
OK	IPMI Sensor Cooling_Device_Cooling_Zone_3	OK - Sensor status is Fully_Redundant	2014-08-05 17:24:49	2015-12-15 20:02:01		
OK	IPMI Sensor Critical_Interrupt_CPUs	OK - Sensor status is OK	2014-08-05 17:24:49	2015-12-15 20:02:01		
OK	IPMI Sensor Critical_Interrupt_DIMMs	OK - Sensor status is OK	2014-08-05 17:24:49	2015-12-15 20:02:01		
OK	IPMI Sensor Critical_Interrupt_NMI_State	OK - Sensor status is OK	2014-08-05 17:24:49	2015-12-15 20:02:01		
OK	IPMI Sensor Critical_Interrupt_PCIs	OK - Sensor status is OK	2014-08-05 17:24:49	2015-12-15 20:02:01		
OK	IPMI Sensor Current_Avg_Power	OK - Current value 100.0 W	2014-08-05 17:24:49	2015-12-15 20:02:01		100
OK	IPMI Sensor Current_Pwr_Rail_A_Fault	OK - Sensor status is transition_to_OK	2014-08-05 17:24:49	2015-12-15 20:02:01		
OK	IPMI Sensor Current_Pwr_Rail_B_Fault	OK - Sensor status is transition_to_OK	2014-08-05 17:24:49	2015-12-15 20:02:01		
OK	IPMI Sensor Current_Pwr_Rail_C_Fault	OK - Sensor status is transition_to_OK	2014-08-05 17:24:49	2015-12-15 20:02:01		
OK	IPMI Sensor Current_Pwr_Rail_D_Fault	OK - Sensor status is transition_to_OK	2014-08-05 17:24:49	2015-12-15 20:02:01		
OK	IPMI Sensor Current_Pwr_Rail_E_Fault	OK - Sensor status is transition_to_OK	2014-08-05 17:24:49	2015-12-15 20:02:01		
OK	IPMI Sensor Drive_Slot_Drive_0	OK - Sensor status is Drive_Presence	2014-08-05 17:24:49	2015-12-15 20:02:01		

Service CPU load, trebuchet 1 row rmliner (admin) 14:08

WATO Graphs Host/Svc notific. Host history Edit View Availability

Site alias

Hostname: trebuchet

Service description: CPU load

Service icons:

Service state: **OK**

Servicegroups the service is member of

Service service level

Service contact groups: infrastructure

Service contacts: achery, blenard, bsallen, eholoohan, gwest, jreddy, network-outages, rmliner, tjackson

Output of check plugin: OK - 15min load 0.08 at 8 CPUs

Long output of check plugin (multiline)

Service performance data: load1=0.12;40;80;0;8 load5=0.13;40;80;0;8 load15=0.08;40;80;0;8

Service Perf-O-Meter: 0.1

Service check command: check_mk_cpu.loads

Service normal/retry check interval: 60s/60s

Current check attempt: 1/1

Service notification number: 0

Service check type: PASSIVE

The age of the current service state: 2013-12-12 22:47:52

The time since the last check of the service: 76 sec

The time of the next scheduled service check: -

The time of the next service notification: -

The time of the last service notification: -

Service check latency: 0.000 sec

Service check duration: 0.000 sec

Currently in downtime: no

In notification period: yes

Service notification period: 24X7

Service alternative display name: CPU load

Check manual (for Check_MK based checks): This check measures and checks the averaged CPU load. The values for 1, 5 and 15 minute average are sent, although the PNP template shipped with check_mk only displays the 1 and 15 min average load.

Note: The CPU load is the average number of processes that are currently in the state "running". Do not mix this up with the CPU "utilization" (which measures the current usage of the CPU in percent).

Custom services notes

PNP service graph

Load average 1 min: 0.12 last: 0.10 avg: 1.25 max: 0.17

Load average 15 min: 0.08 last: 0.04 avg: 0.17 max: 0.17

Operational Assessment Process

- ⊙ We account for every core-second on the primary production machines
- ⊙ We track the fate of every job launched on the system and classify the cause of interrupt if it does not end successfully
- ⊙ Once a week, at least one member representing the major components of the machine (BG, storage, networking, infrastructure, etc.) meets to validate the previous weeks data. Most can be done automatically, but some require scrubbing logs
- ⊙ All results are stored in a database and we use this information to drive where we focus our improvement efforts

Job Failure Analysis Process

- ⦿ How we track availability, outages, and failure categories
- ⦿ We do weekly Job Failure Analysis (JFA)
 - ⦿ We do root cause analysis on every job that ran the previous week; Considered system error unless we can find explicit proof / “probable cause” it is user error.
 - ⦿ On Wednesday afternoon, the Ops team gets in a room and walks through anything that wasn’t pre-classified
 - ⦿ Produces Job MTTI, which internally is what we track. Also categorizes failures, which drives improvement projects.
- ⦿ We account for every core-second on the machine
 - ⦿ Up, scheduled down, unscheduled down; utilized or idle
 - ⦿ Integers make reconciliation easy
- ⦿ This software is very specific to us, but maybe someday (more on that later)
- ⦿ We try to have a command for everything that also logs relevant data for later reporting
 - ⦿ [begin|end]-service-action; maintman for maintenance; Scheduler reservations.
 - ⦿ The Blue Gene comes with this built-in; porting to the Cray is going to be a challenge

Maintenance Manager - maintman or mm2

- ⊙ Script that automates our maintenance processes
- ⊙ In our opinion, a very nice tool
- ⊙ For this discussion, what is apropos is that it writes records into our database and modifies scheduler reservations that are part of the availability calculation

```
Usage: mm2 <command> [<args>]
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Some useful mm2 commands are:
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binotify  Send out email to users notifying about BI maintenance related tasks
call      Send out the call for scheduled maintenance
defer     defers a pm reservation for a resource
extend    extends a pm reservation already in place for a resource
initsched initializes a calendar based schedule with pm ticket items.
nagios    Enable/disable nagios alerting
notify    Send out email to users notifying about maintenance related tasks
reserve   checks and/or sets a pm reservation for a resource
sendsched Emails the schedule for next maintenance to the team
version   prints out the version string of mm2
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See 'mm2 help <command>' for information on a specific command.
```

The pre-classification script

- ⦿ The script is run daily, and loads interrupts to be analyzed.
- ⦿ Staff can choose to do analysis / data entry ahead of the Wed meeting
- ⦿ Below is an example of the output of what the script produces.
- ⦿ This email is post-JFA, so it includes the resulting analysis (the comments)

```
New interrupt: id=0, num_events=1
  2015-07-29 03:24:14: jobid=514738, mode=script user=          part='MIR-00000-73FF1-16384', type=Unknown,
msg='UNCLASSIFIED: abnormal termination by signal 15 from rank 1080. Delivered by kill_job user          on host
miralac1'

# User error: user killed task with kill_job

New interrupt: id=1, num_events=2
  2015-07-30 03:54:01: jobid=523195, mode=script user=          part='R22-M1-N08-J13', type=System, msg='fatal RAS
event'
    The install of a kernel image failed, domain[0] rc=1 for image /bgsys/drivers/ppcfloor/boot/cnk
  2015-07-29 05:36:44: jobid=518826, mode=script user=          part='MIR-08000-3BFF1-8192', type=System, msg='RAS
42745348 with task kill signal SIG35'

# System error: CFAM, L1P and DDR machinechecks - node was replaced
```

JFA Web App

- ⦿ This shows all the records the pre-classification couldn't automatically identify
- ⦿ Each person in the room runs this (as well as it being projected) and they can select an event that they will analyze

The screenshot displays the JFA Web App interface. At the top, there are navigation links: "Mira Home", "Welcome pershey", and "Admin Tools". Below this is a "Dashboard" section with a header "Annotations in range" and a sub-header "OAR incidents in range". A message states "Entered interrupts in range (empty until JFA is complete)".

The main content area is divided into three sections, each with a "Hide" button and a title:

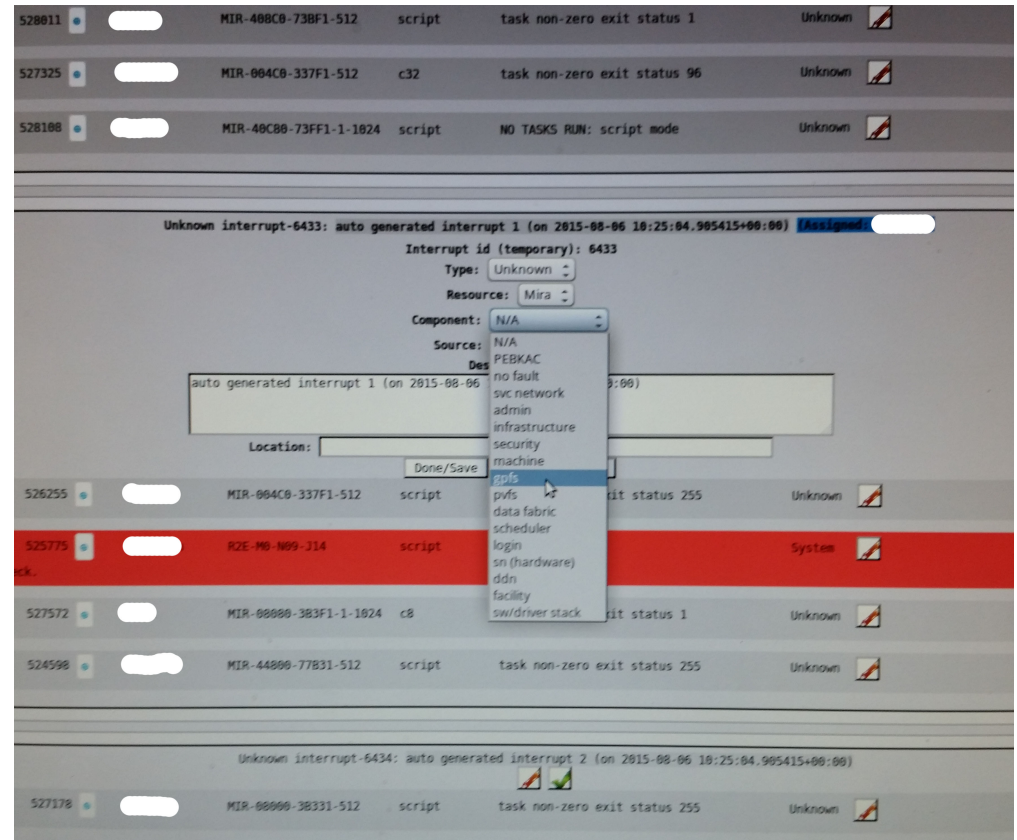
- User interrupt-6349: user killed task with kill job** (Green background):
 - 2015-07-29 03:24:14 514738 MIR-00000-73FF1-16384 script UNCLASSIFIED: abnormal termination by signal 15 from rank 1080. Delivered by kill_job user on host miralac1 Unknown
- System interrupt-6350 in machine: CFAM, L1P and DDR machinechecks - node was replaced** (Red background):
 - 2015-07-29 05:36:44 518826 MIR-00000-3BFF1-8192 script RAS_42745348_with_task_kill_signal_SIG35 System
 - 2015-07-30 03:54:01 523195 R22-M1-N08-J13 script fatal RAS event System
 - The install of a kernel image failed, domain[0] rc=1 for image /bgsys/drivers/ppcfloor/boot/cnk
- User interrupt-6412: Exit code out of range** (Green background):
 - 2015-07-29 08:36:31 521481 MIR-08CC0-3BFF1-512 script task non-zero exit status 255 Unknown
 - 2015-07-29 11:33:54 521784 MIR-08CC0-3BFF1-512 script task non-zero exit status 255 Unknown
 - 2015-07-29 12:26:37 521482 MIR-08800-3BB31-512 script task non-zero exit status 255 Unknown
 - 2015-07-29 14:31:43 521785 MIR-08CC0-3BFF1-512 script task non-zero exit status 255 Unknown
 - 2015-07-29 15:47:30 521790 MIR-08480-3B7B1-512 script task non-zero exit status 255 Unknown
 - 2015-07-29 19:27:09 521791 MIR-088C0-3BBF1-512 script task non-zero exit status 255 Unknown
 - 2015-07-30 07:16:54 523207 MIR-048C0-37BF1-512 script task non-zero exit status 255 Unknown

“Component” Analysis

- ⦿ We also classify by “component”
- ⦿ This allows us to see what is giving us problems and drives improvement projects.
- ⦿ One of the first real wins: We discovered that GPFS was 3x the next source of failures. We investigated and discovered we were getting timeouts and moving the management functions to dedicated nodes dropped GPFS down into the noise.

Component fault analysis (Recent range: prior 90 days,

Component	Count (Recent)	Count (All)
machine	25	305
gpfs	21	59
sw/driver stack	3	33
ddn	2	4
facility	1	4

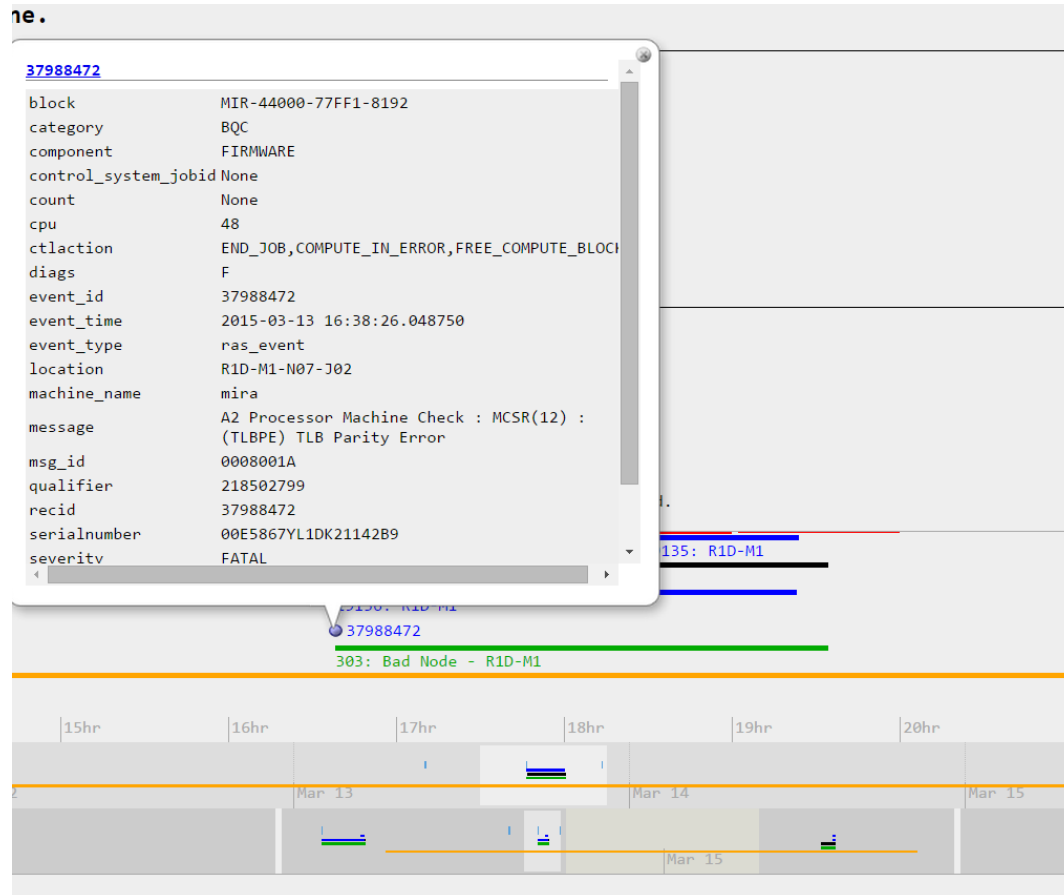


Incident Timeline



- Trying to figure out when an incident began and ended is non-trivial.
- This shows all the sources of data about a given incident.
- We take the “union” of all the events to determine the duration of the incident.

Incident Timeline - drill down



- From this screen you can drill down into the details for any entry.

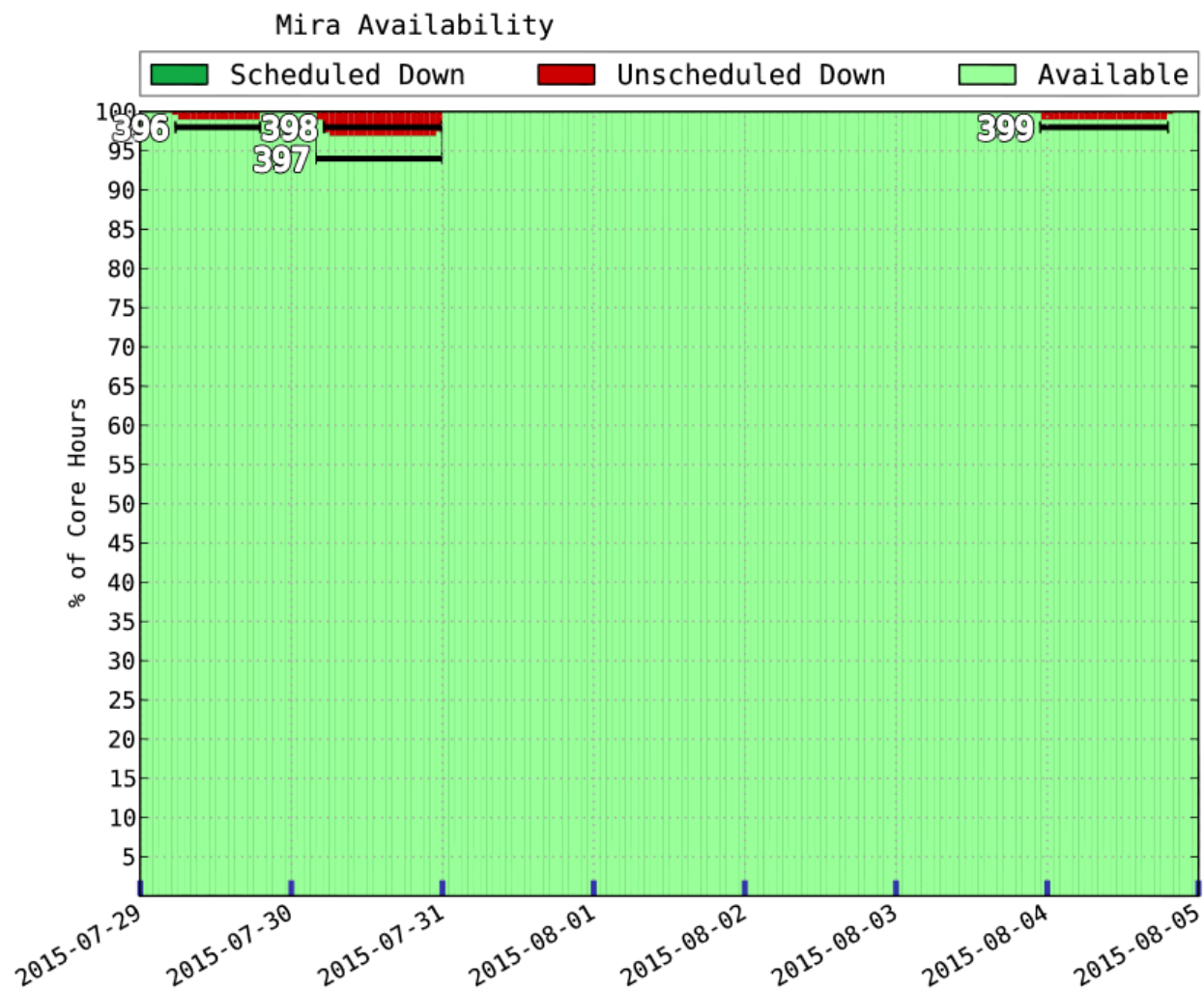
Our standard availability report

Generated on 2015-08-06 13:01:08

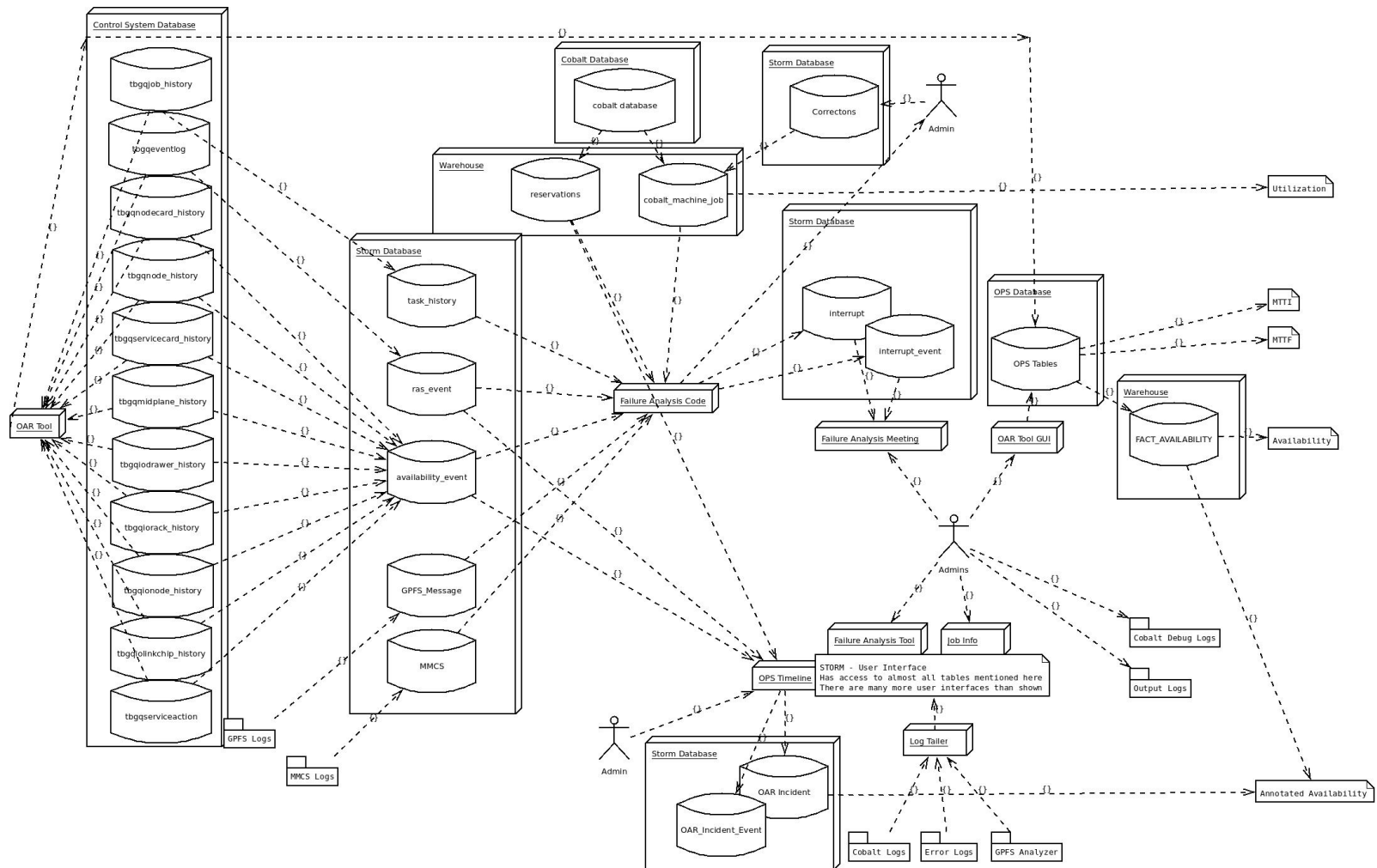
Scheduled 99.435652%
Overall 99.435652%
Start 2015-07-29
End 2015-08-04

Incidents:

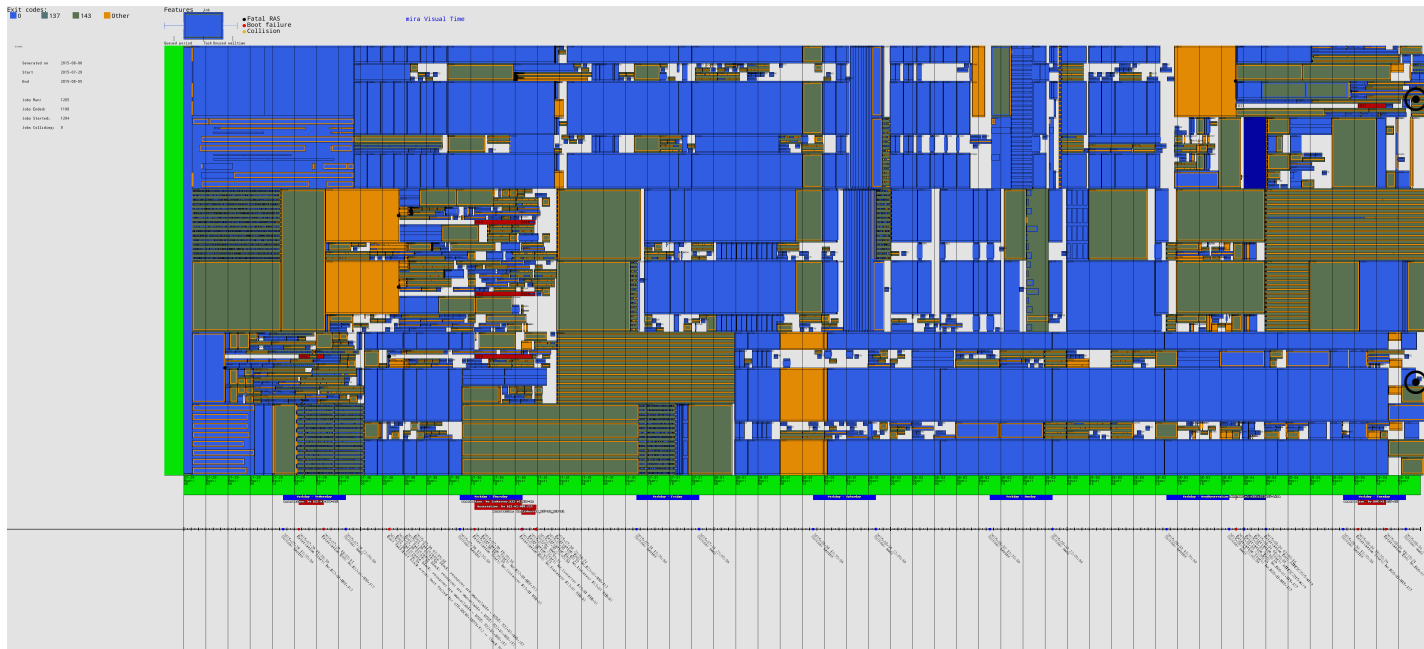
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398.	Link Errors - R13-M1 to R1B-M1
399.	Bad Node - R06-M1-N15-J27



The (complicated) Big Picture...



Machine Time Overlay...



Y axis are the allocable chunks of the machine (mid-planes here, nodes on the vis cluster)

X axis is time

- Easy to see scheduling; Also helps find bugs, like two jobs running on the same resource at one time.
- There is a lot of information encoded here
- This is general; Any information you can provide that is (data, location, time) can be displayed this way; We also use this for coolant temperature, power consumption, etc..

CORAL- Collaboration of ORNL, Argonne, LLNL

- ⊙ Provide the Leadership computing capabilities needed for the DOE Office of Science mission from 2018 through 2022
 - ⊙ Capabilities for INCITE and ALCC science projects
- ⊙ CORAL was formed by grouping the three Labs who would be acquiring Leadership computers in the same timeframe (2017-2018), benefits include:
 - ⊙ Shared technical expertise
 - ⊙ Decreases risks due to the broader experiences, and broader range of expertise of the collaboration
 - ⊙ Lower collective cost for developing and responding to RFP

CORAL Overview

Objective - Procure 3 leadership computers to be sited at Argonne, ORNL, and LLNL in CY17-18.

Current DOE Leadership Computers

Mira (ANL)
2012 - 2017



Sequoia (LLNL)
2012 - 2017



Titan (ORNL)
2012 - 2017



Leadership Computers RFP requests >100 PF, 2 GB/core main memory, local NVRAM, and science performance 4x-8x Titan or Sequoia

Approach

Competitive process – 1 RFP (issued by LLNL) leading to 2 R&D contracts and 3 computer procurement contracts

For risk reduction and to meet a broad set of requirements, 2 architectural paths will be selected – and Argonne and ORNL must choose different architectures

Once selected, multi-year lab-awardee relationship to co-design computers

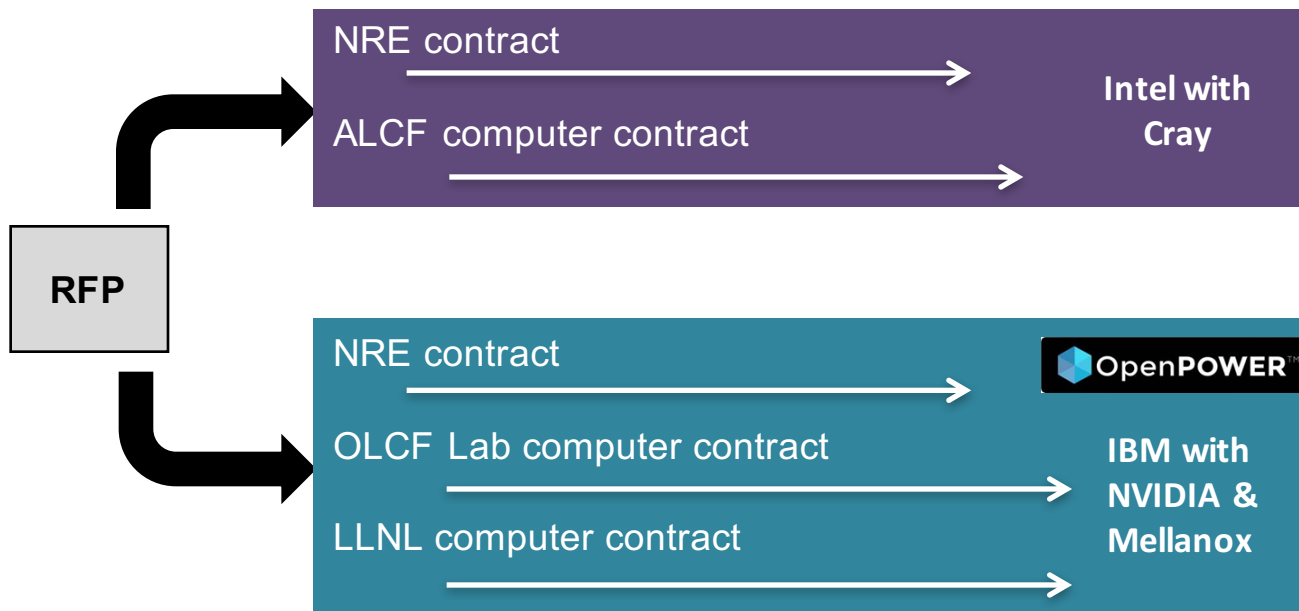
Both R&D contracts jointly managed by the 3 Labs

Each lab manages and negotiates its own computer procurement contract, and may exercise options to meet their specific needs

Understanding that long procurement lead time may impact architectural characteristics and designs of procured computers

Results of CORAL Procurement

Two Diverse Architecture Paths



2018 ALCF Leadership System

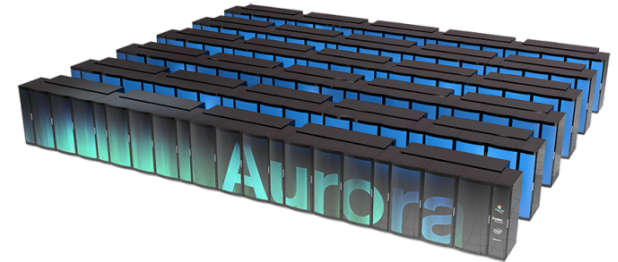
Many Core architecture

System Name: Aurora

Vendor: Intel (Prime) / Cray (Integrator)

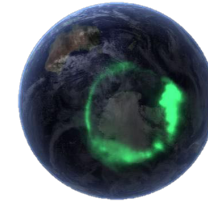
Delivery date: 2018

- ⦿ Over 13X Mira's application performance
- ⦿ Over 180 PF peak performance
- ⦿ More than 50,000 nodes with 3rd Generation Intel® Xeon Phi™ processor
 - ⦿ Code name Knights Hill, > 60 cores
- ⦿ Over 7 PB total system memory
 - ⦿ High Bandwidth On-Package Memory, Local Memory, and Persistent Memory
- ⦿ 2nd Generation Intel® Omni-Path Architecture with silicon photonics in a dragonfly topology
- ⦿ More than 150 PB Lustre file system capacity with > 1 TB/s I/O performance



2016 ALCF Theta System

Many Core architecture



Vendor: Intel (Prime) / Cray (Integrator)

- ⦿ Transition and data analytics system
- ⦿ Over 8.5 PF peak performance
- ⦿ More than 2,500 nodes with 2nd Generation Intel® Xeon Phi™ processor
 - ⦿ Code name Knights Landing, > 60 cores
- ⦿ 192GB DDR4 memory and up to 16GB HBM on each node
- ⦿ 128GB SSD on each node
- ⦿ Cray Aries high speed interconnect in dragonfly topology
- ⦿ Initial file system: 10PB Lustre file system, 200 GB/s throughput
- ⦿ Cray XC system
- ⦿ Cray software stack
- ⦿ ~1.7 MW peak power

Systems feature summary

System Feature	Mira (2012)	Theta (2016)	Aurora (2018)
Peak Performance	10 PF	> 8.5 PF	180 PF
Number of Nodes	49,152	> 2,500	> 50,000
Aggregate HBM, local memory, and persistent mem	786 TB	> 480 TB	> 7 PB
File system capacity	26 PB	10 PB (initial)	> 150 PB
File system throughput	300 GB/s	210 GB/s (initial)	> 1 TB/s
Peak Power Consumption	4.8 MW	1.7 MW	13 MW
GFLOPS/watt	2.1	> 5	> 13
Facility Area	1,536 sq. ft.	~1,000 sq. ft.	~3,000 sq. ft.

What changes, what doesn't

◎ Same

- ◎ many core
- ◎ GPFS
- ◎ MPI+OpenMP
- ◎ Cobalt scheduler

◎ Different

- ◎ Network
- ◎ RAS
- ◎ Lustre
- ◎ System software
- ◎ Cray Programming Environment
- ◎ On package, HBM memory
- ◎ Intel x86, not powerpc
- ◎ SSDs

Future / Opportunities

- ⊙ We WILL port
 - ⊙ Cobalt
 - ⊙ Monitoring
 - ⊙ JFA process
- ⊙ Much of our reporting depends on it
- ⊙ We are looking at abstractions and architectural improvements that will make this easier to use on general machines
- ⊙ We have also been leaning on Cray and Intel to work with us to develop standardized interfaces and mechanisms for obtaining this kind of data
- ⊙ Opportunities to share/codevelop tools

Other opportunities

- ⊙ Evaluate each other's Petascale computers and software stacks
 - ⊙ Scaling studies, tools, libraries, compilers
- ⊙ Modeling and simulation of applications
- ⊙ Community codes
- ⊙ Visualization support: software, techniques
- ⊙ Industry engagements

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