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Medical practice: diagnostics, treatment and surgery in supercomputing centers

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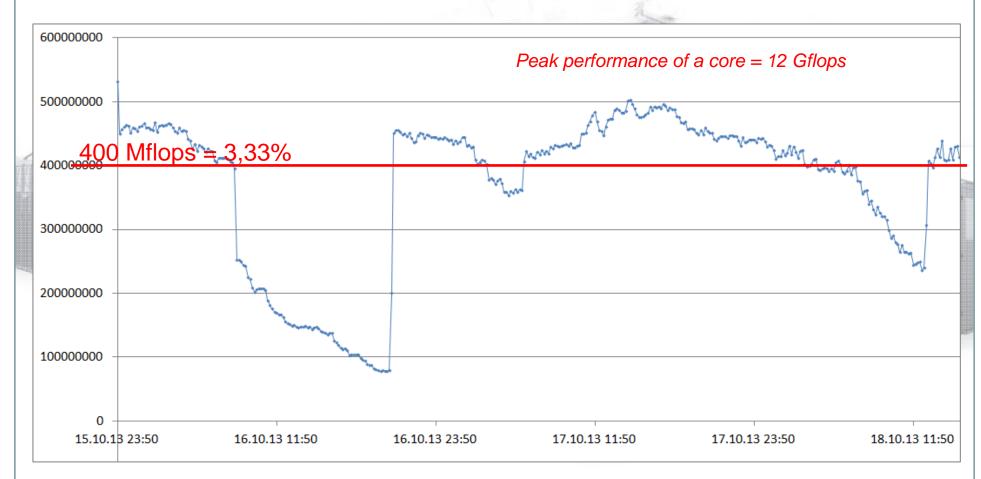
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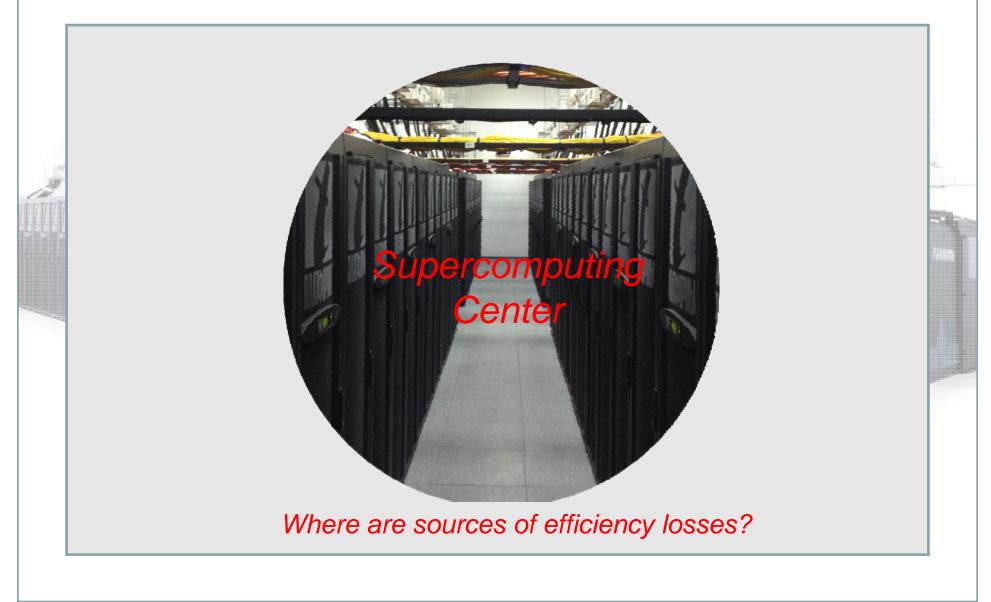
Current trend: peculiarities of hardware, complicated job flows, poor data locality, huge degree of parallelism in hardware, etc... decrease efficiency of supercomputers dramatically.

Efficiency of Supercomputing Centers (straightforward approach)

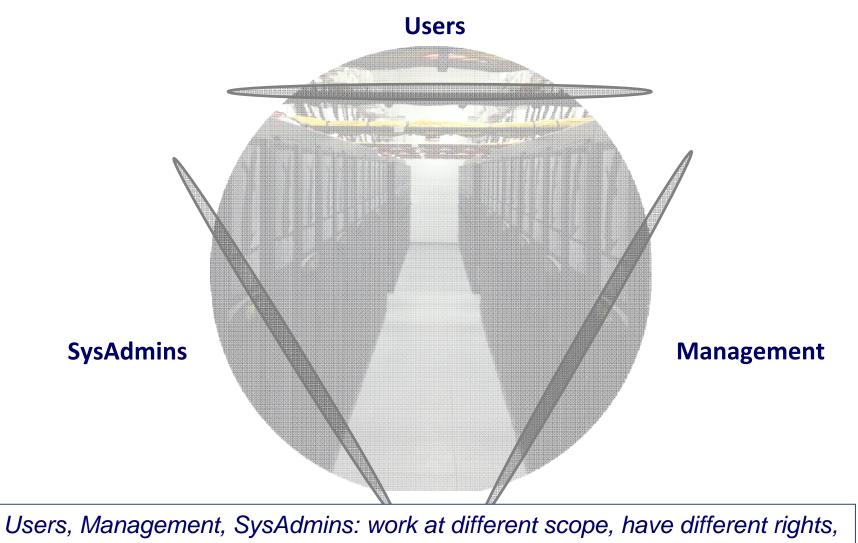


Average performance (one core) of "Chebyshev" supercomputer for 3 days

Efficiency of Supercomputing Centers

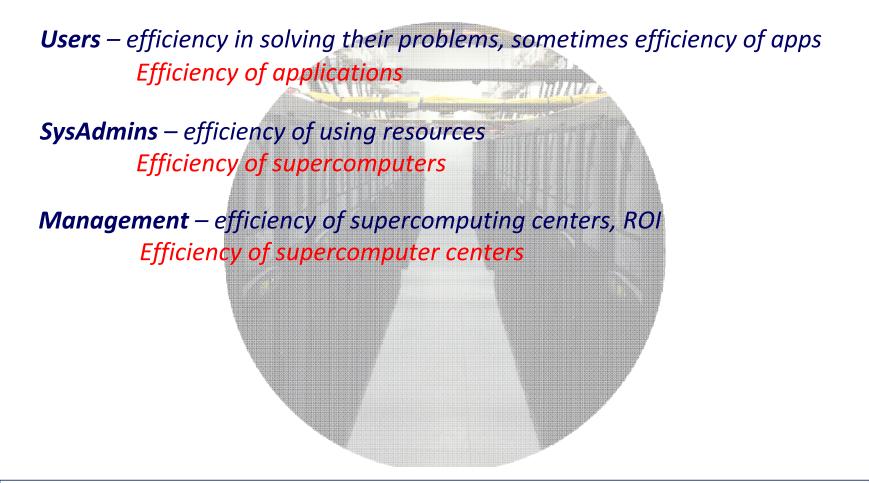


Who is interested in efficiency of supercomputing centers?



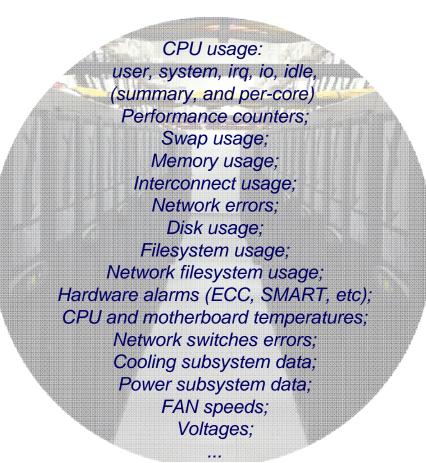
make different decisions.

What is efficiency of supercomputing centers?



Users, Management, SysAdmins: work at different scope, have different rights, make different decisions.

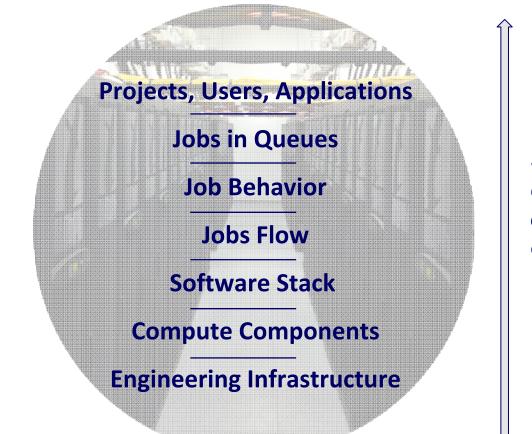
Efficiency of Supercomputing Centers (system-level view)



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We must be able to detect and show **not symptoms but the root causes** of efficiency degradation.

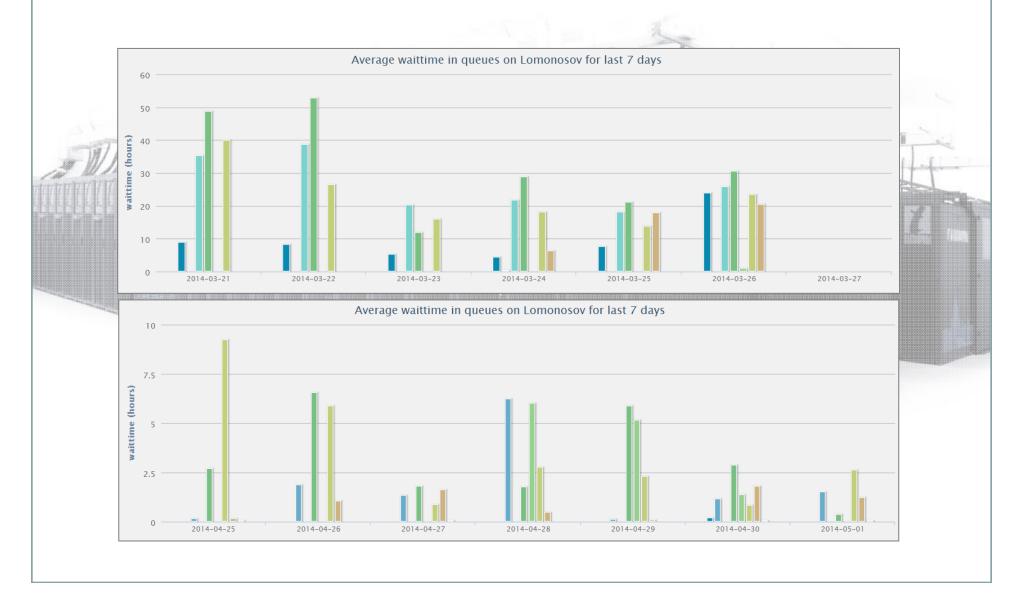
Efficiency of Supercomputing Centers (SC Center-level view)



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Efficiency of Supercomputing Centers (users, quotas and queues)



Efficiency of Supercomputing Centers (three target groups + system level + SC Center level)

Projects, Users, Applications

Jobs in Queues

Job Behavior

Jobs Flow

Software Stack

Compute Components

Engineering Infrastructure

CPU usage: user, system, irg, io, idle (summary, and per-core) Performance counters: Swap usage; Memory usage; Interconnect usage; Network errors: Disk usage; Filesystem usage; Network filesystem usage; Hardware alarms (ECC, SMART, etc); CPU and motherboard temperatures; Network switches errors: Cooling subsystem data: Power subsystem data; FAN speeds: Voltages;

Current trend: too sophisticated structure of supercomputers has led to loss of control over full understanding (knowledge) of their behavior. Our goal is the total control over HW/SW and applications.

What is a 10-petaflops supercomputer today?

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- High price,
- High power consumption,
 - Diversity of applications,
 - High degree of parallelism,
- Large numbers are everywhere,

Large Numbers in Supercomputers (large now, huge very soon)

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- Cores, processors, accelerators, nodes,
 - Hardware components,
- Software components,
- Files, indexes, buffers at data storage,
- Traffic within interconnects,
- Users, projects,
- Processes, threads, running and queued jobs,

Current trend: all these numbers grow extremely fast!

Large Numbers in Supercomputers (large now, huge very soon)

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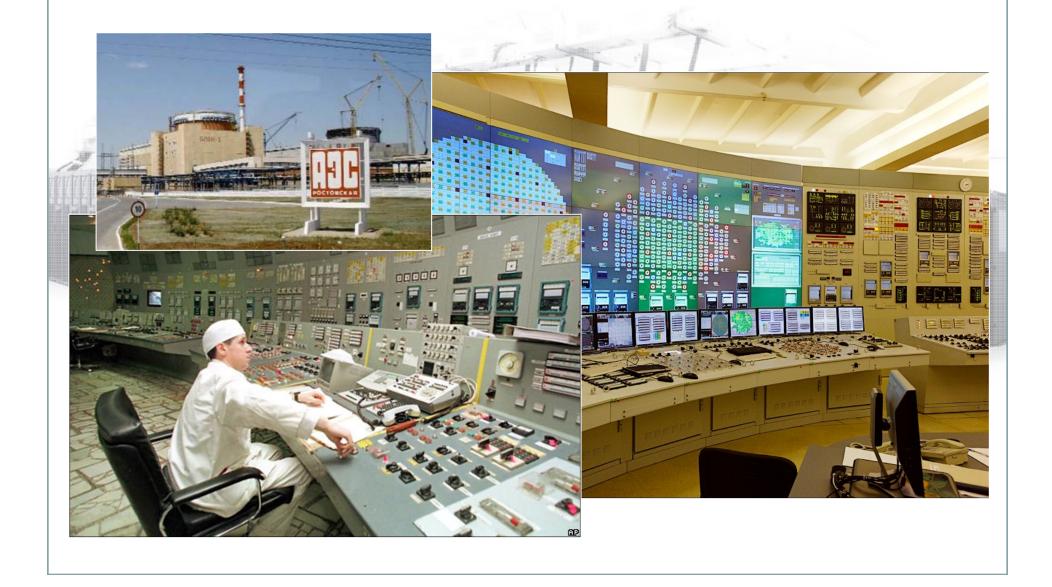
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Nuclear Power Stations (total control)



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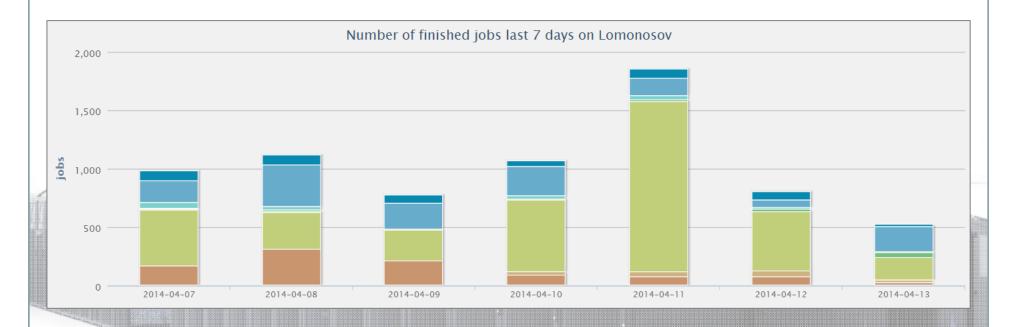
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Total control: cost of delay...



Supercomputer "Lomonosov":

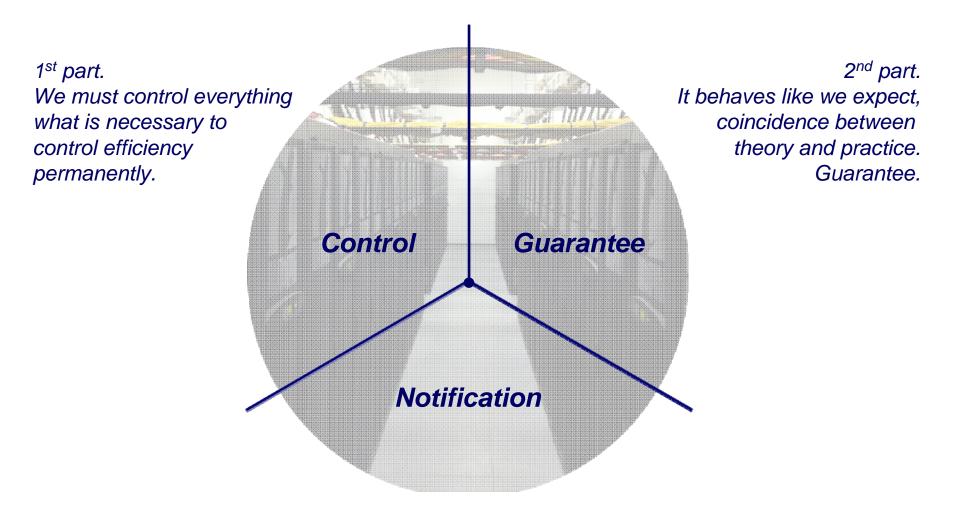
- about 1000 completed jobs per day,
- approx. 200 running jobs all the time,

if a job scheduler hangs/dies, a half of the supercomputer will be idle in 2-3 hours.

We need to keep control over supercomputers!

Current trend: the cost of delay with a proper reaction grows permanently.

Supercomputers: three parts of efficiency



3rd part. We must know (be notified) about everything on time.

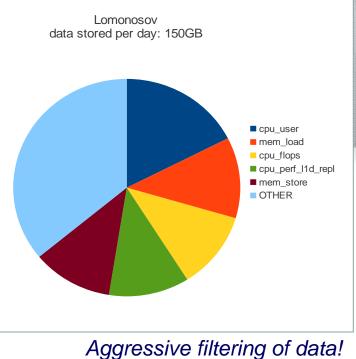
Monitoring System for Supercomputers (1st part: control)

Monitoring system, requirements:

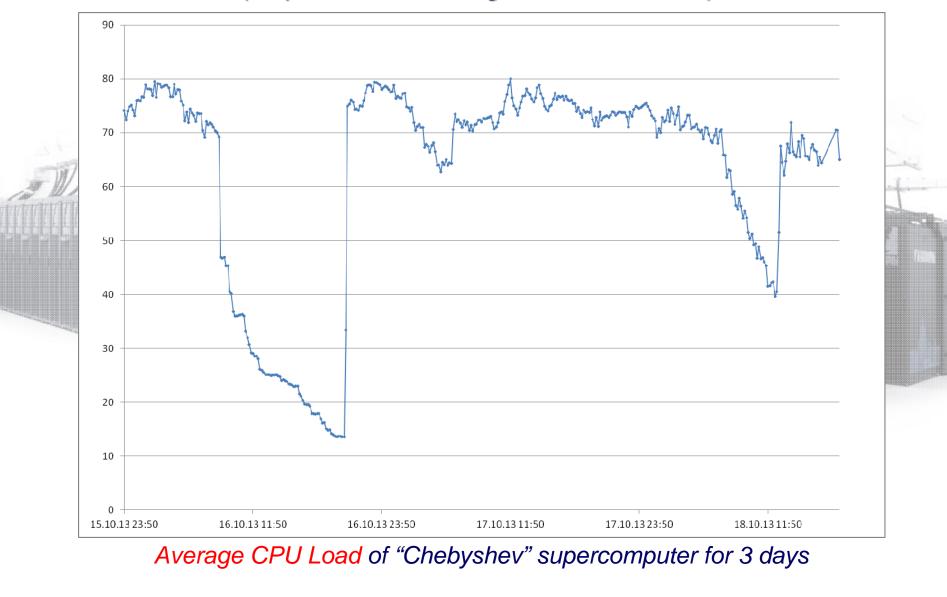
we need to know: what, where, when.
scalability: millions of compute nodes, dozens sensors per node,
low overheads: CPU, disks, interconnects (1% and less),

- frequency: a few seconds and less,
- easily reconfigurable and expandable,
- portable across platforms,
- active and passive modes.

Current trend: monitoring will be an integral part of all future complex HW&SW systems.



Efficiency of supercomputing centers (1st part: control. Integral characteristics)



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Large numbers in supercomputers: cores, processors, accelerators, nodes, HW&SW components, files, indexes, users, projects, processes, threads, running and queued jobs...

We don't know and can't describe a state of components in a supercomputer at a moment: fully operational, errors occur, failed ?..

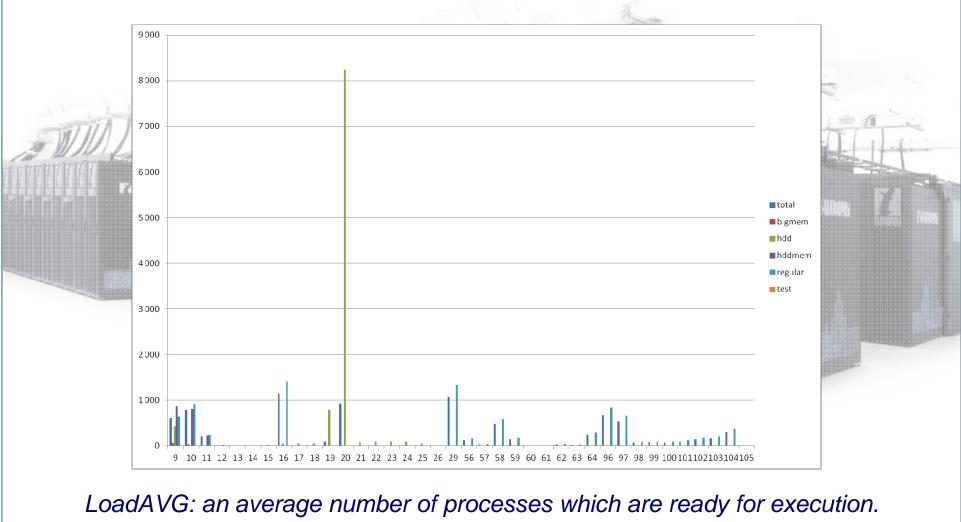
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What is now? We hope a HW/SW component works until we get an evidence that it has failed.

What do we need?

We need a guarantee: if something goes wrong inside a supercomputer we shall be notified immediately.

Distribution of LoadAVG for 3 days (2nd part: guarantee)



Control over everything!

What is now? We hope a component works until we get an evidence that it has failed.

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Our expectations = Reality

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We need a guarantee: if something goes wrong inside a supercomputer we shall be notified immediately.

We want a system behaves in a way we expect it should behave.

If discrepancy occurs between our expectations and supercomputer behavior we need to know immediately about it.

But...

Supercomputer is huge, we can't control it to a full extent anymore. But...

Supercomputer can do it itself (instead of us), if we explain what "our expectations" are.



Supercomputers should be autonomous in self-control.

Moreover:

The larger a supercomputer, the more autonomous it should be.

How it can be done?

- Total monitoring of hardware and software components, engineering infrastructure;
- As a guarantee of "our expectations = reality":
 - a formal model of supercomputers (a graph),
 - a set of formal rules,

as a basis for an Autonomous life and control of MSU supercomputers:

- "Chebyshev", 60 Tflops, 625 CPUs:

In its model: 9113 nodes, 24906 edges, 150 rules, 100 reactions;

- "Lomonosov", 1.7 Pflops, 12K CPUs, 2K GPU:

In a model: 400K+ nodes.

Initial deployment, Detection of faults, critical and emergency situations, Turning off minimum amount of hardware, Self diagnostics, Previous accidents, etc. are done according to a model and rules.

Current trend: many decisions about control over HW&SW of supercomputers must be taken automatically.

A concept of "situation screen": requirements (3rd part: notification)

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Visualization of all components of supercomputers:

- hardware: a computational part.
- hardware: engineering infrastructure.
- software stack.
- dynamics of applications.
- jobs flows.
 users.

The total control over supercomputer.

Extreme level of parallelism.

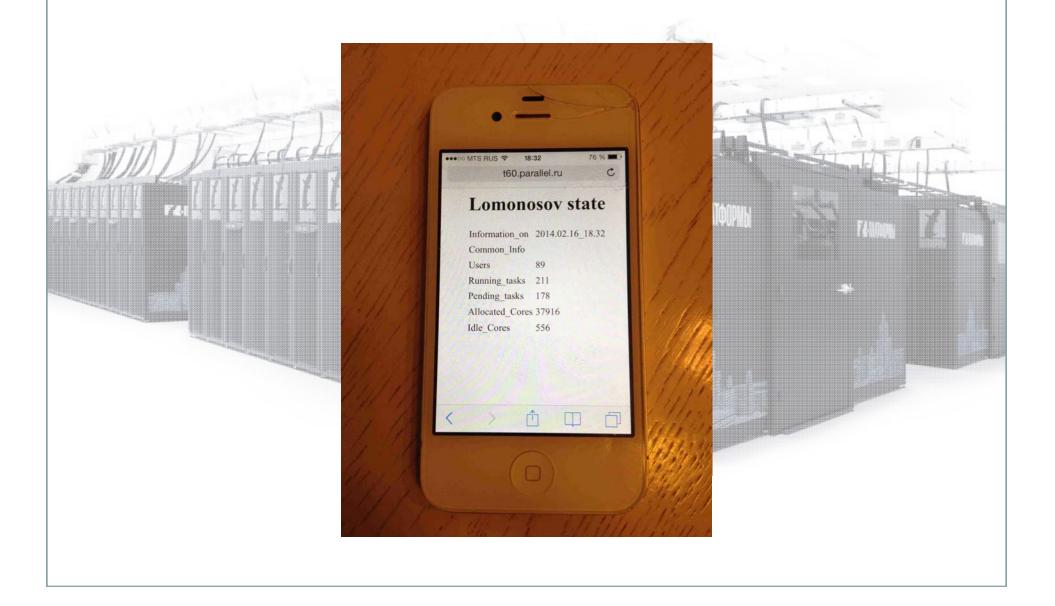
Low overheads.

General and specific views.

Openness to external data sources.

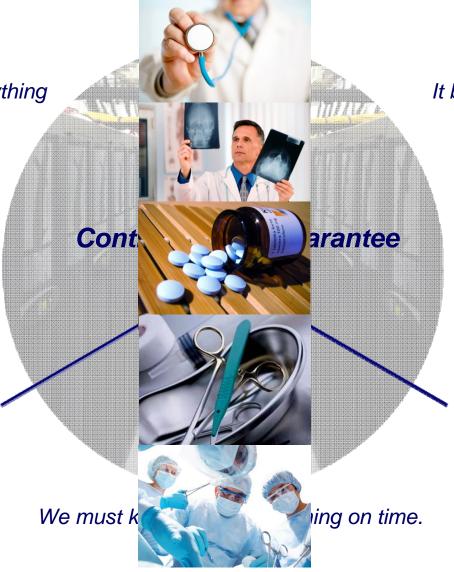
Three target groups in supercomputers centers.

Situation screen: a mobile option



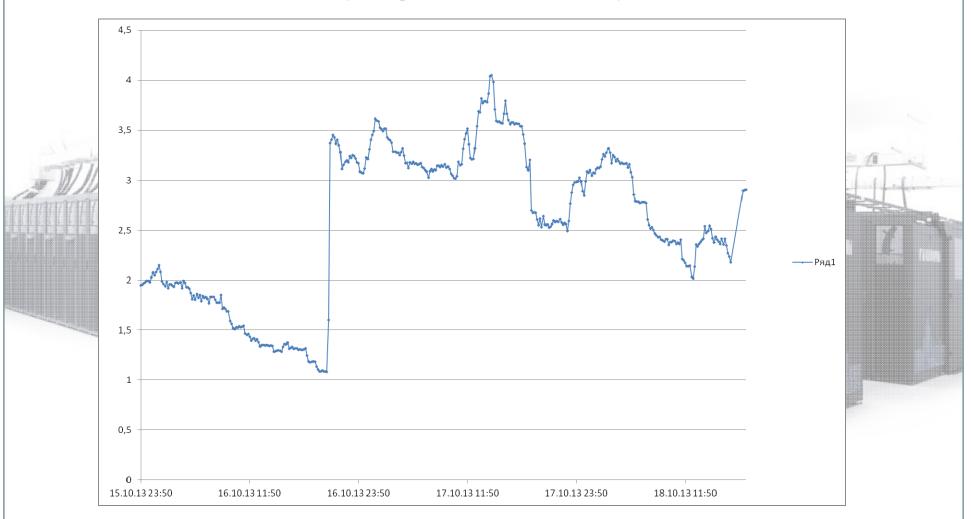
Supercomputers: three parts of efficiency

We must control everything what is necessary to control efficiency permanently.



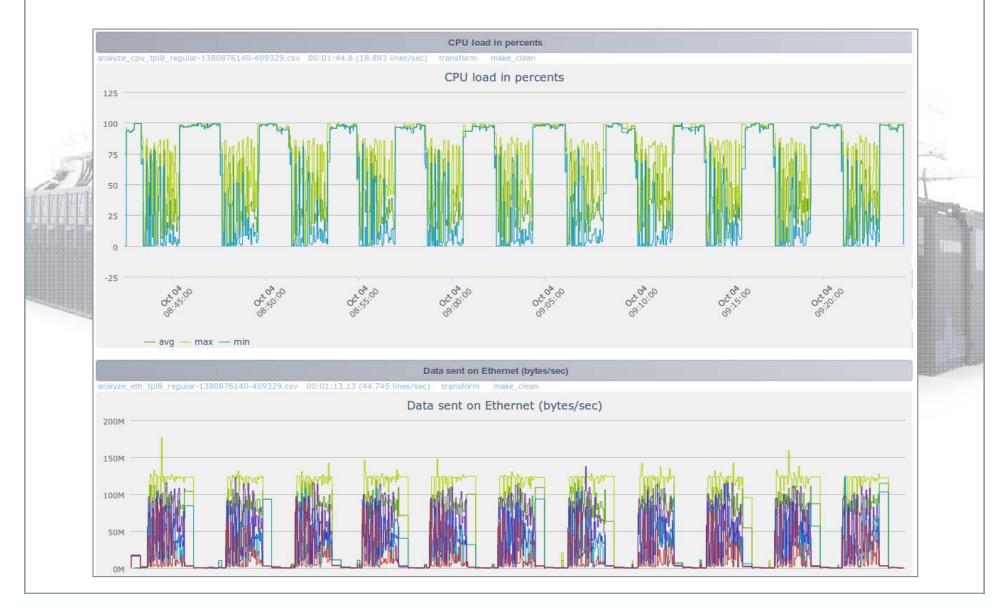
It behaves like we expect, coincidence between theory and practice. Guarantee.

Efficiency of supercomputing centers (Integral characteristics)

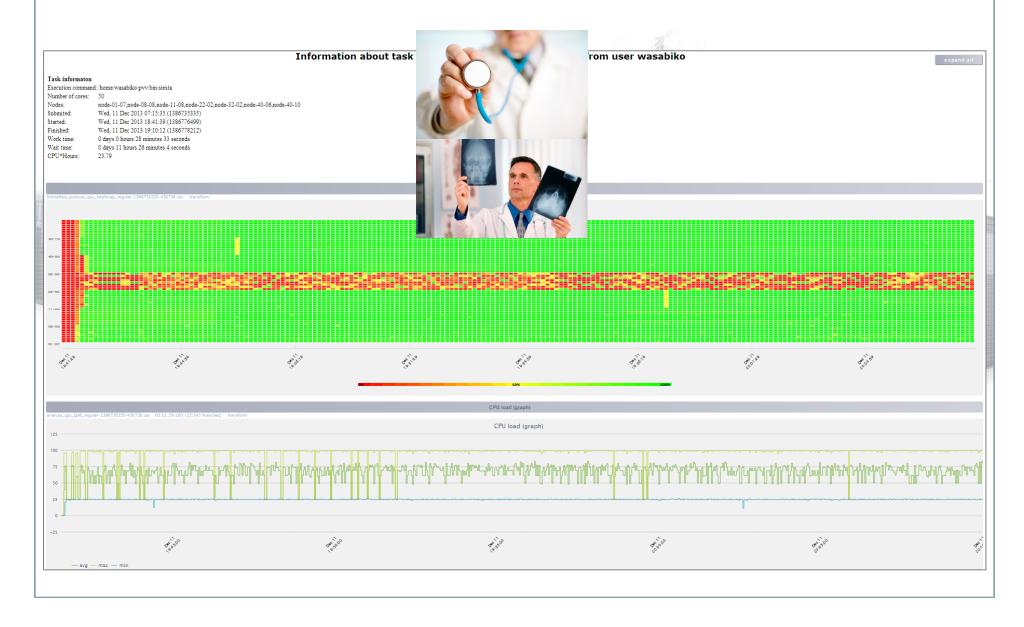


Average LoadAVG for nodes of "Chebyshev" supercomputer for 3 days

Fine analysis of supercomputing applications efficiency (control over everything!)



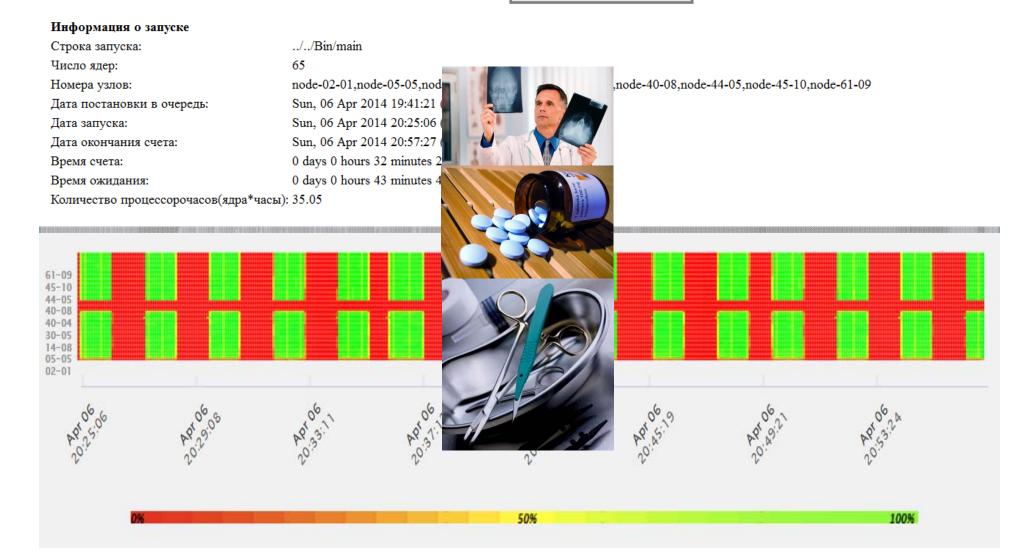
Fine analysis of supercomputing applications efficiency (total control)



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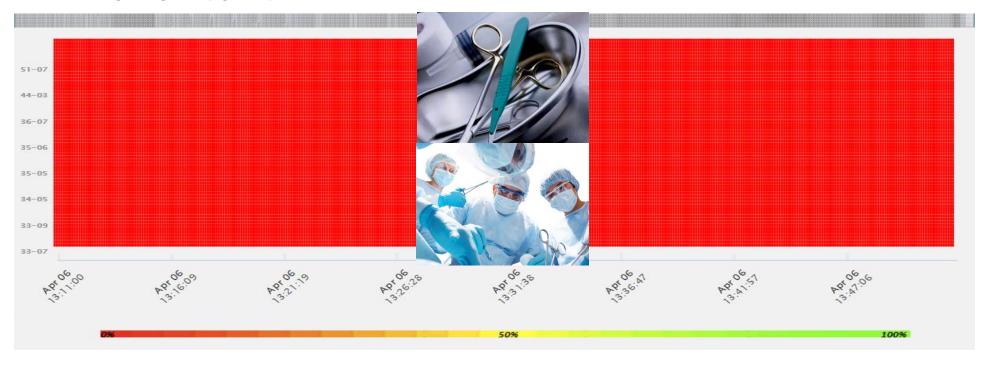
Supercomputing applications: symptoms of losses

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Информация о запуске

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Efficiency of supercomputing centers (what is efficiency?)

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