

A Workflow for Identifying Jobs with Similar I/O Behavior Utilizing Time Series Analysis



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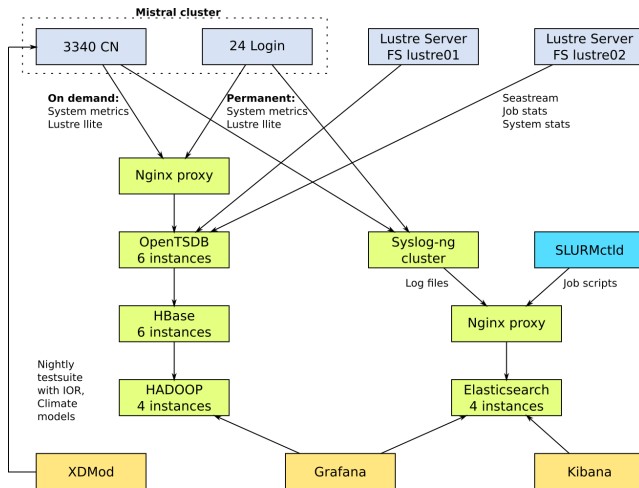
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Motivation



- Data center staff are supporting users
 - ▶ Optimization of programs
 - ▶ Monitoring of (in)efficient usage
- Assume you identified an interesting job
 - ▶ Might be particularly inefficient or efficient
 - ▶ e.g., via monitoring/tracing or user feedback
- Questions support staff may have
 - ▶ Will optimization pay off to other jobs?
 - ▶ Is the job a good blueprint for optimization?
- Problem: 100,000 of jobs are executed on a cluster
 - ▶ How can we find similar jobs?

DKRZ Monitoring System



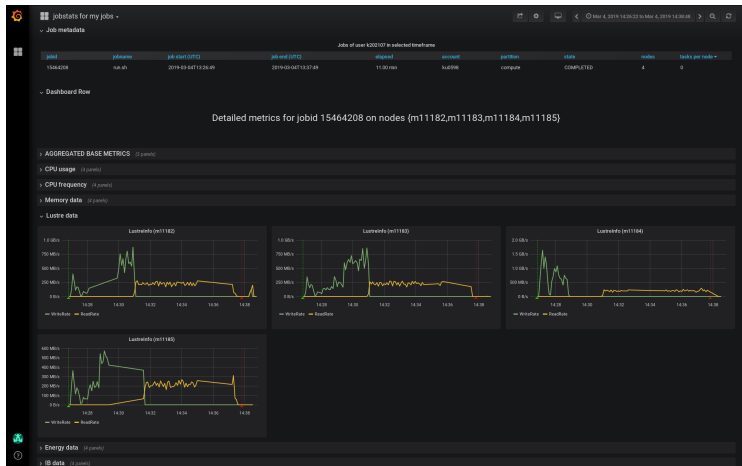
Details

- Periodicity: 10s
- Record metrics
 - ▶ From /proc
 - ▶ 9 aggregated
- Jobs are linked to the data

Mistral Supercomputer

- 3,340 Nodes
- 2 Lustre file systems
- 52 PByte capacity
- 100+ OSTs per fs

Monitoring Data of a Job



■ Grafana visualization

■ Read/write shown

■ Metrics supported

- ▶ md_file_create
- ▶ md_file_delete
- ▶ md_read (only)
- ▶ md_mod(ify)
- ▶ md_other
- ▶ read_bytes
- ▶ read_calls
- ▶ write_bytes
- ▶ write_calls

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Identifying Similar Jobs Using Time Series



- Previous work: utilized clustering algorithm(s)
- Today: workflow for supporting the investigation of jobs
- Derived meaningful distance measures
 - ▶ Must compare multiple metrics with different units/Range
 - ▶ Must handle variable number of nodes and runtime
- Conduct a study on 580,000 jobs (6 months of data from DKRZ)
 - ▶ Recorded using DKRZ monitoring system
 - ▶ Compute similarity of all jobs to three reference jobs
 - ▶ Quantitative analysis: behavioral comparison
 - ▶ Qualitative analysis: investigate top 100 similar jobs manually
 - ▶ Explored several algorithms

Handle variable number of nodes and runtime



Variable number of nodes

- Calculate statistics across the number of nodes
- Obtain one time line per job metrics

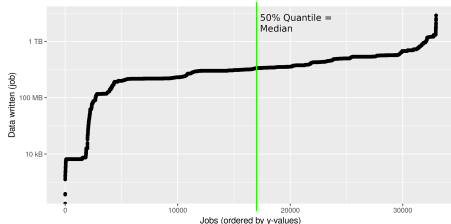
Segmentation across time dimension

- Segment: calculated average across 10 min time interval
- Result is time series of segments
- Earlier attempt: used additional statistics

Compare Multiple Metrics with Different Units/Range

Convert raw data (X Bytes/s or Y opens/s) to categories

■ Categorization based on the quantiles of all jobs segments



■ Categories:

- ▶ 0 = non-IO (< 99% quantile)
- ▶ 1 = HighIO (< 99.9% quantile)
- ▶ 4 = CriticalIO (>)

■ Analysis of result shows that the categories are meaningful

- ▶ e.g., 99% quantile is 1 op/s

Algorithms

- Define the pre-processing and distance metrics
- Explored six algorithms that differ in:
 - ▶ Aggregation (Each metric indepenendly/together and which dimensions)
 - ▶ Coding (quantized/rounded to 17 states, binary)
 - ▶ Distance measure (Levensthein, Euclidean)
- Time series based algorithms
 - ▶ B-all: binary encode activity (Yes/No) of all metrics into one series
 - ▶ B-aggzero: remove subsequent segments of zero activity
 - ▶ Q-lev: quantized coding, Levensthein distance
 - ▶ Q-native: quantized, Euclidean distance, sliding window
 - ▶ Q-phases: extract phase information (metric $\neq 0$ and match)
- Non time series algorithm: Kolmogorov-Smirnov
 - ▶ Concatenate individual node data (instead of averaging)

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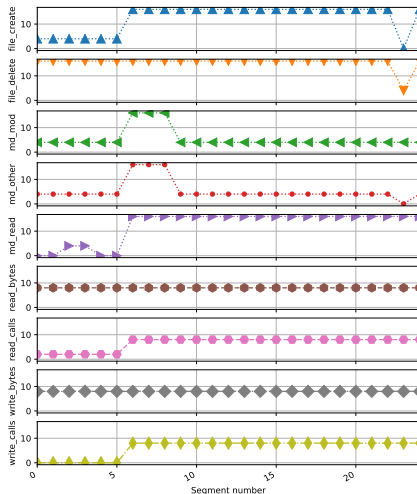
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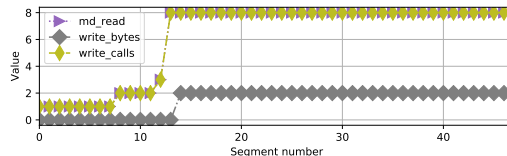
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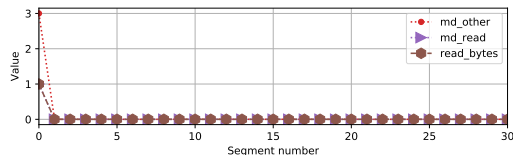
The Three Reference Jobs (Average across all nodes)



Job-S: Postprocessing

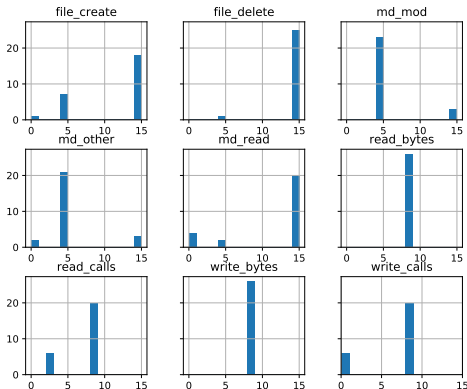


Job-M: 8 hours, 128 Nodes; other metrics == 0

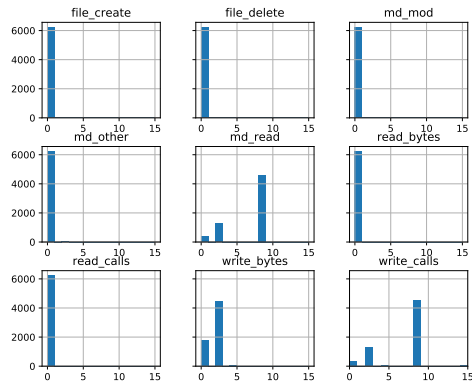


Job-L: 66 hours, 20 Nodes; other metrics == 0

Histogram of Jobs in Quantized coding

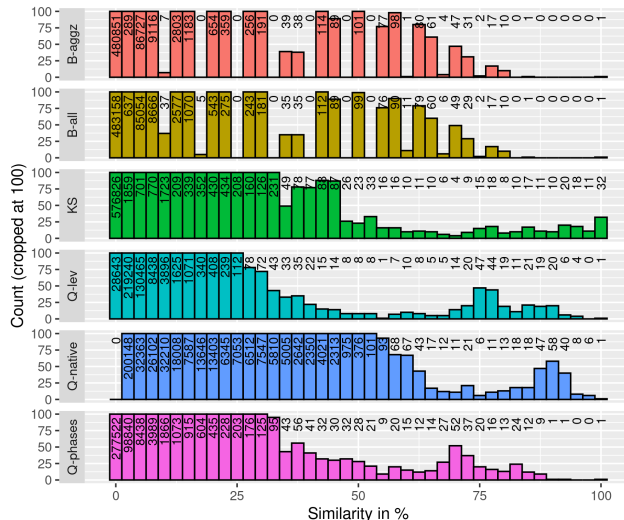


Job-S Histogram



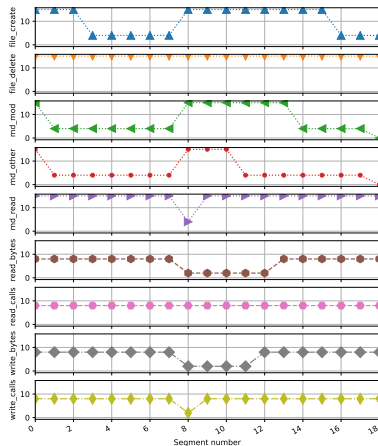
Job-M Histogram

Similarity to Job-S

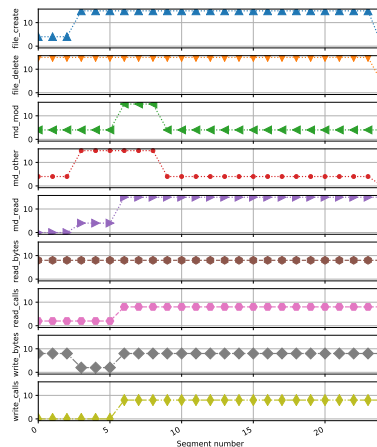


- 100% sim is the reference job
 - ▶ Job-S is CMORization control
- Names in the job pool
 - ▶ 22,580 have somewhat "cmor"
 - ▶ 367 have somewhat "control"
- Observations
 - ▶ Most jobs have a low similarity
 - ▶ Clusters are visible
 - ▶ 30-40 of most similar jobs have control in the name
 - ▶ All algorithms work somewhat
- User may explore from most similar job to least
 - ▶ A cluster is reasonable cut-off

Inspecting Selected Jobs: B_aggzeros

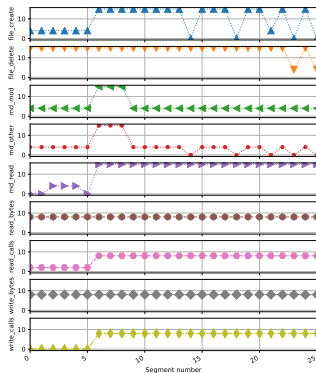


Non-cmor job: Rank 76, SIM=69%



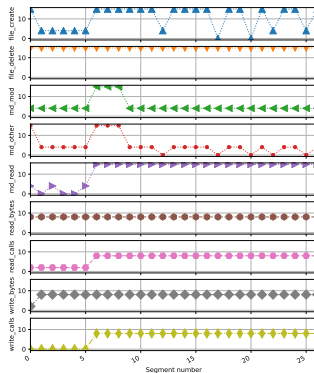
Non-control job: Rank 4, SIM=81%

Inspecting Selected Jobs: Q_Lev

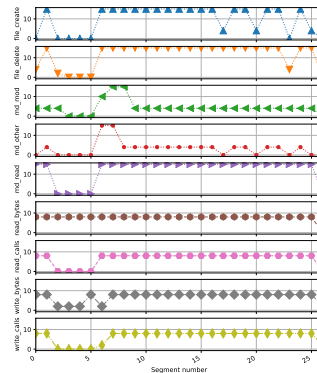


Rank 2, SIM=96%

That looks rather similar, even better than B_aggzeros

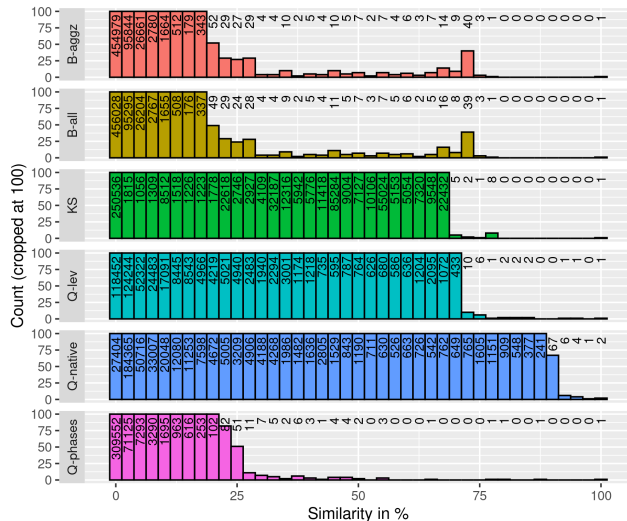


Rank 15, SIM=90%



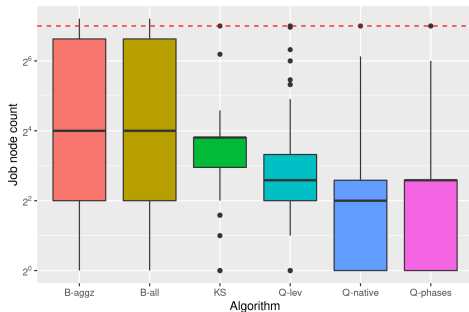
Rank 100, SIM=79%

Similarity to Job-M

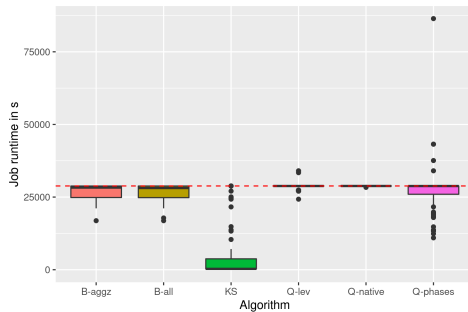


- Different behavior than for Job-S
- Much smaller similarity
- Q-native has highest similarity

Inclusivity and Specificity for Job-M 100 Similar Jobs



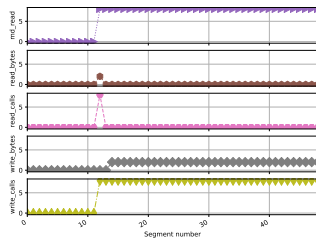
Distribution of node counts (job=128)



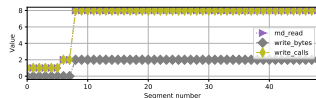
Distribution of Runtime (*job* = 28, 828s)

- The algorithms identify a wide range of job runtime, node counts and different users

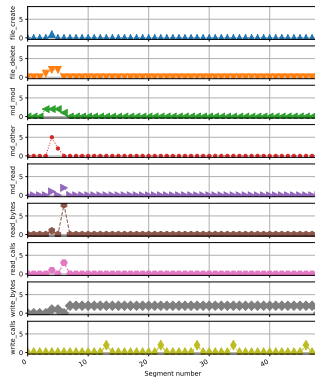
Inspecting Selected Jobs: Q-native



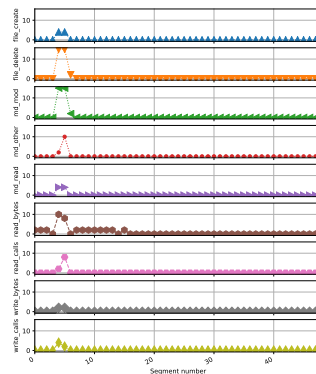
Rank 2, SIM=99%



Rank 3, SIM=97%

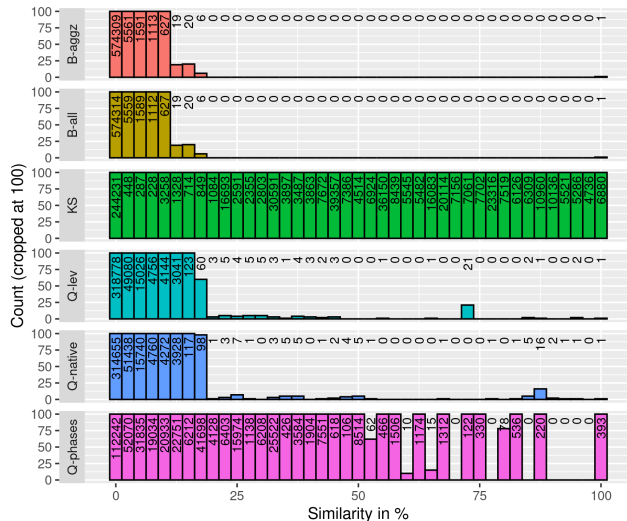


Rank 15, SIM=91%



Rank 100, SIM=88%

Similarity to Job-L



- There are not many such long jobs
- The Q-phases and KS algorithms finds many jobs
 - There is only one IO phase
 - Many jobs have indeed similar profiles
- What to include?
 - It depends on the definition of similarity

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Conclusions



- Distance measures allow to find similar jobs
- Utilizing time series of system statistics seems suitable
 - ▶ All algorithms worked rather well on Job-S
 - ▶ For Job-M and Job-S, we prefer Q-native and Q-lev
 - ▶ Runtime (not shown here) is also feasible (near realtime)
- It all depends on our expectation of "similarity"
 - ▶ What does a user need? Find similar phases in jobs? Do we require the same job length?
 - ▶ The community should define "similarity"
- Check the previous paper for this work:
 - ▶ Eugen Betke and Julian Kunkel
Classifying Temporal Characteristics of Job I/O Using Machine Learning Techniques
The Journal of High-Performance Storage, <https://jhps.vi4io.org/incubator/>