

IPv4 to IPv6 Worker Node migration in WLCG

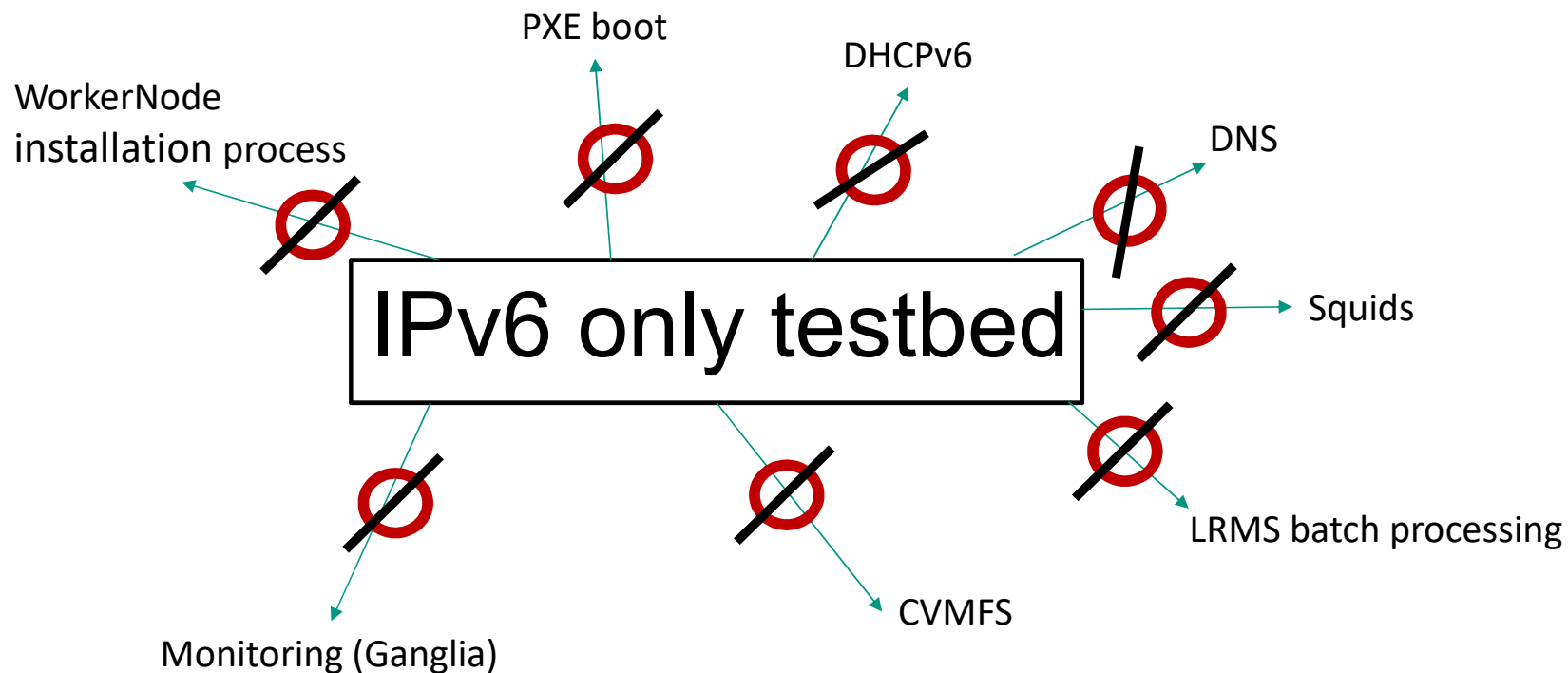
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building IPv6 testbed

HEPiX- IPv6 working group asking for IPv6 only testbed



DE-KIT – workernode farm migration towards IPv6



for identifying migration tasks a

– Pro-active Monitoring at DE-KIT – is deployed

monitor all communications between WorkerNodes (WN)

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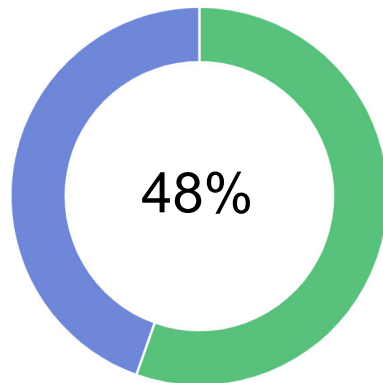
- administration
- job submission
- storage
- ...

monitoring of process inter-communication at DE-KIT (GridKa)

- packetbeat is collecting the network data
- logstash is pushing the data to opensearch (former elastic search) for storing the data
- kibana for visualizing
 - the monitoring started with a small set of workernodes (storing the data „longterm“ → ~ 6 weeks)
 - while enlarging the set of workernodes gradually data keeping time had to be limited to less than one week only (for not exceeding the storage size of 0,5 Tbyte)
- identify IPv4 protocol usage

snapshot at Sept. 2022

IPv4/IPv6 Packages



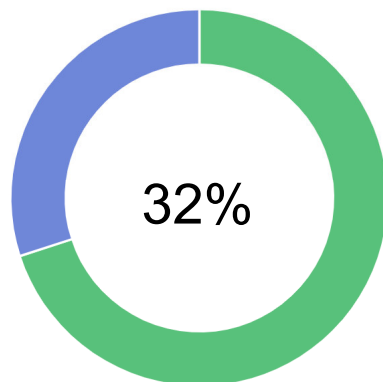
Most active IP address

destination.ip: Descending ↕	Count ▼
127.0.0.1	40,272,661
::1	32,323,797
10.97.1.193	25,091,950
10.97.210.124	7,234,402
10.97.210.116	7,113,737
2001:1458:201:22::100:31	5,165,353
2a00:139c:3:2e5:0:61:4:73	1,450,562
2a00:139c:3:2e5:0:61:6a:a4	1,429,038
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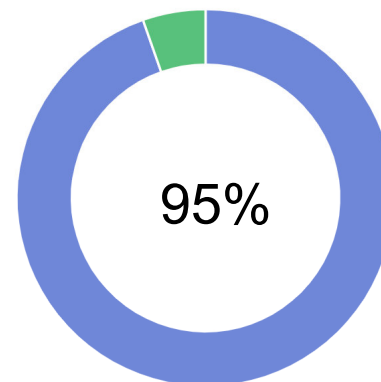
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● ipv4
● ipv6

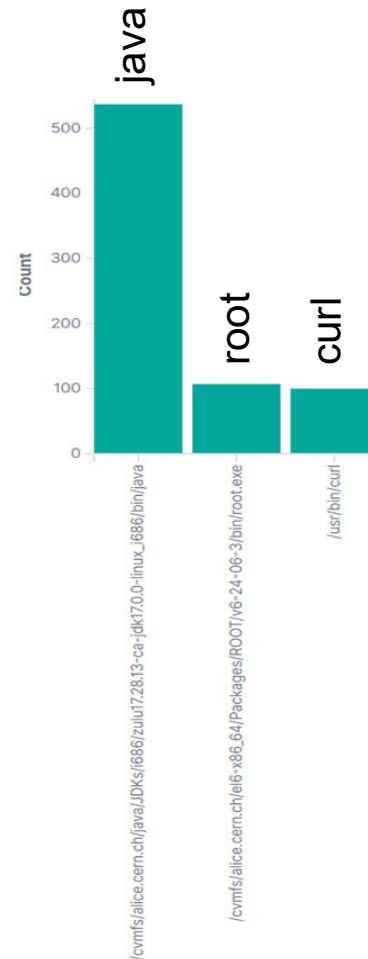
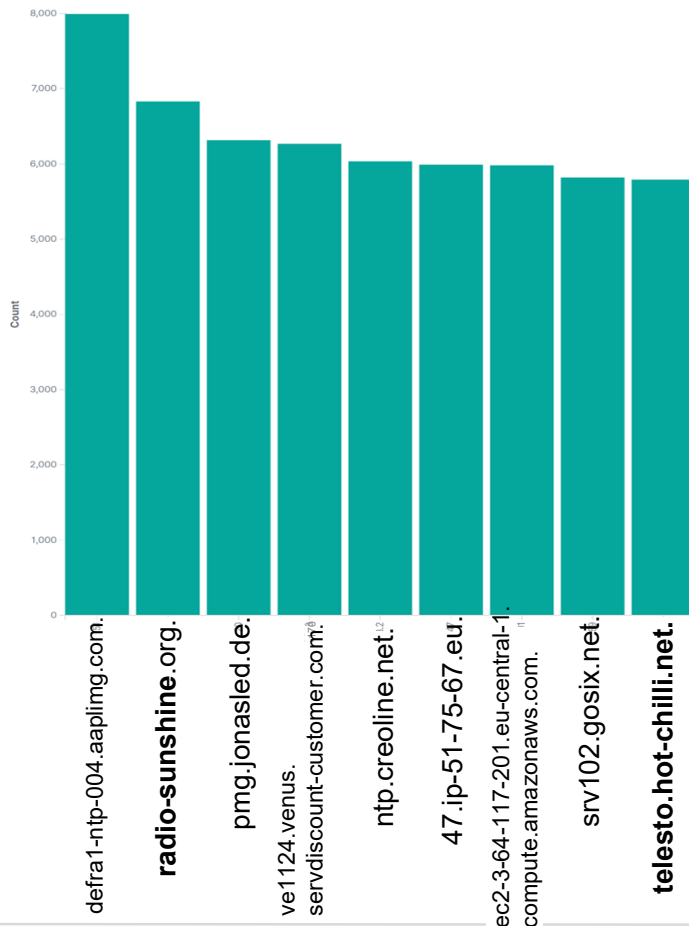
IPv4/IPv6 Incoming traffic



IPv4/IPv6 outgoing traffic



NTP ?



- many NTP / port 123 connections
 - during 24 hours approx. 210.000
 - NTP → IPv4 only (depending on dualstack enabling of rack-manager (40.000 internal))
 - monitoring was first pointing especially to certain subnets 10.1.12.0/24 and 10.1.18.0/24
→ further investigation showed that much more racks running ntp check via private addr. (NAT)
 - 160.000 external communications → some of the destination server have quite dubious „names“
- process-tracking
 - the numbers of NTP communication process and matched process is not matching yet

S O L V E D

- NTP.ORG
→ returns sometimes funny addresses

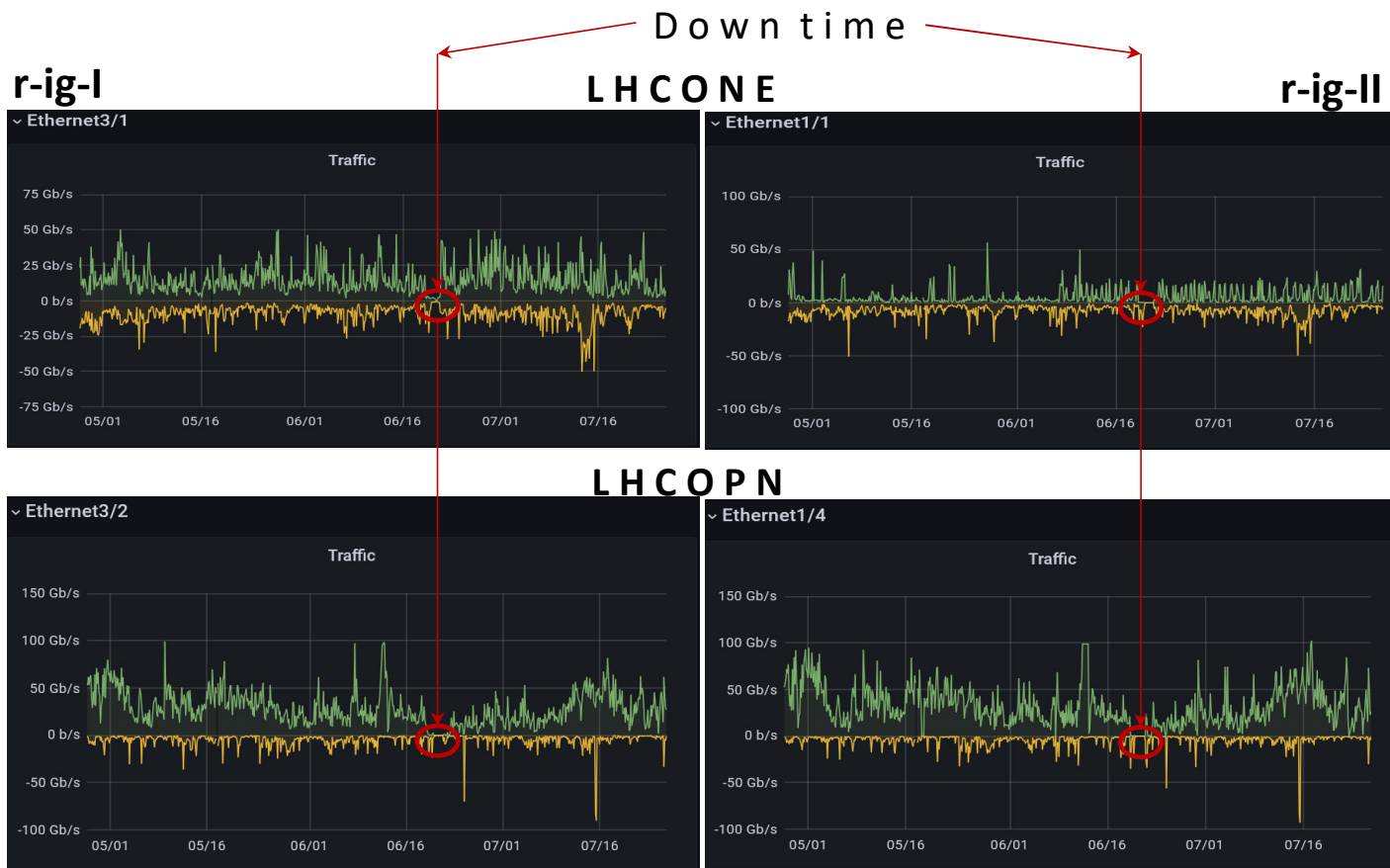
dCache upgrade to 7.2.15

upgrade from dCache version 6.2.34 to 7.2.15

two day downtime at June 20th and 21st 2022

- HTTP-TPC transfers now prefer IPv6 address, if both endpoints support it.
- fixed handling of Storage Resource Reporting (SRR) requests over IPv6
- handle IPv6 address when running HTTP(s) Third Party Copy (TPC) with gridsite delegation
- Storage Resource Manager (SRM) : fix IPV6 logging for SRM

WAN interfaces



r-ig-I (DE-KIT border router):

left two Interfaces

- Ethernet 3/1 (Internet + LHCONE)
- Ethernet 3/2 (LHCOPN)

r-ig-II (DE-KIT second border router):

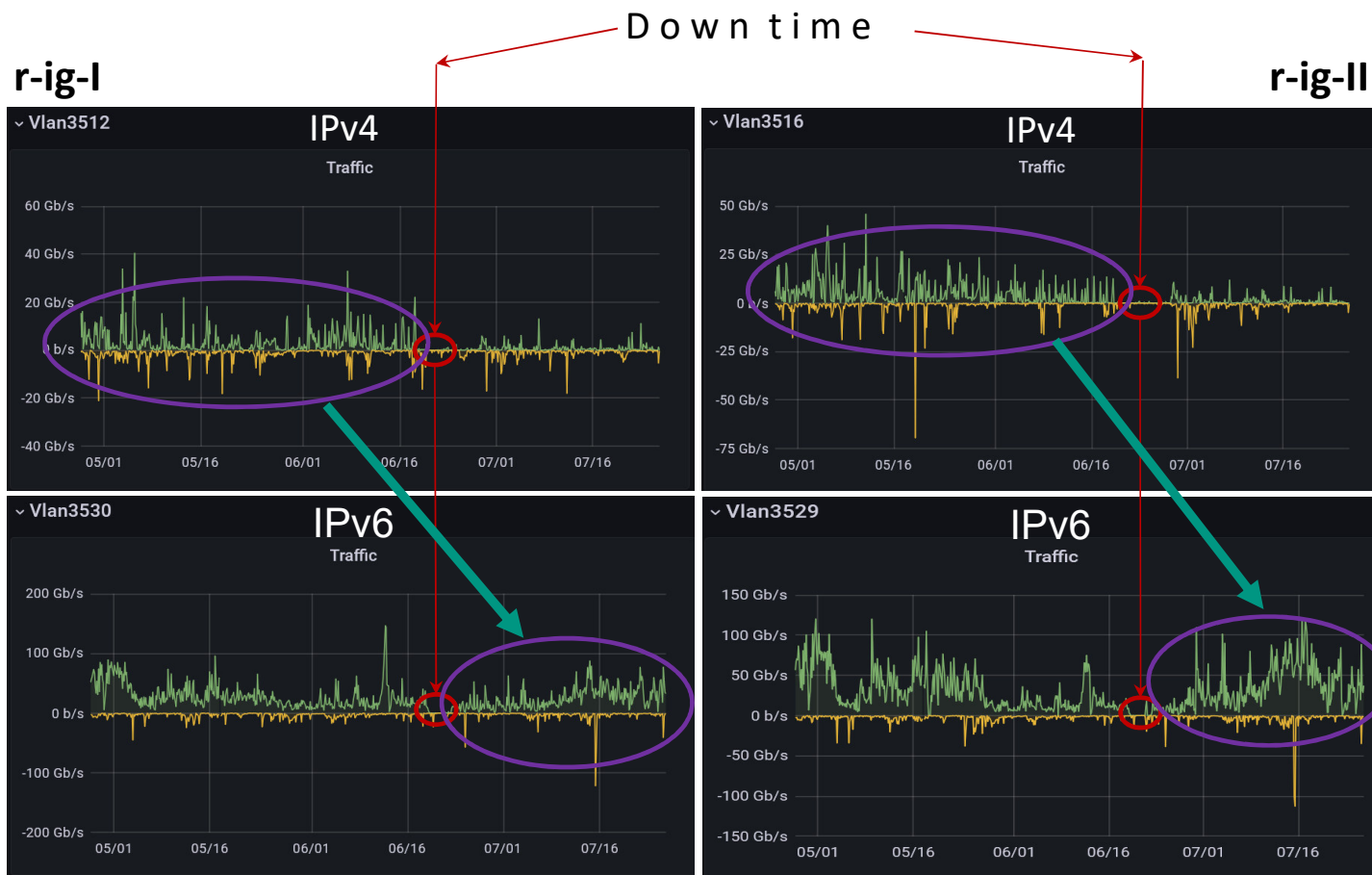
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- Ethernet 1/1 (Internet + LHCONE)
- Ethernet 1/4 (LHCOPN)

LHCONE IPv4 / IPv6 transfer pattern after downtime

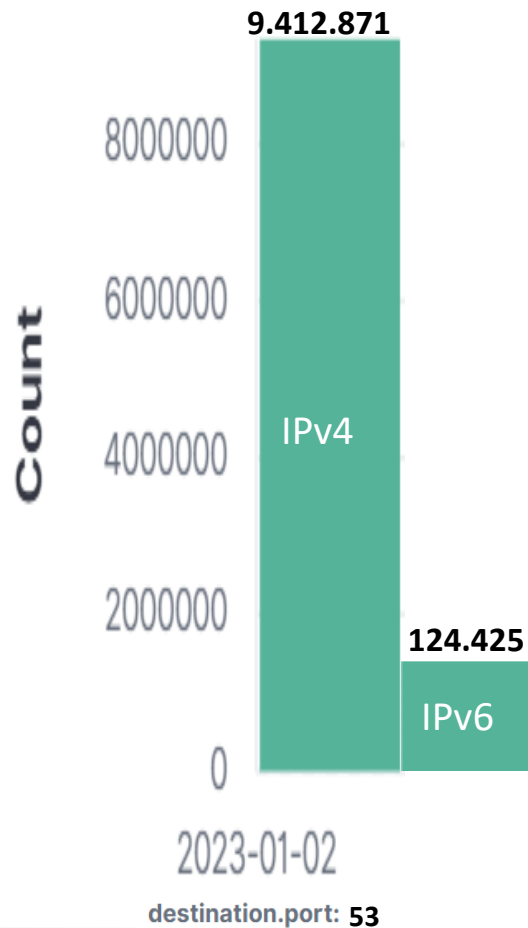


LHCOPN IPv4 / IPv6 transfer pattern after downtime



graph over 90 days
traffic of LHCOPN
moved from the IPv4 vlans
after the downtime to the IPv6 Vlans

closer look at DNS



- GridKa DNS(Port 53):
 - IPv4 only count : 9,412,871 (24 hours)
 - DNS (Bind) server and WN are already dual-stack
 - at WN resolve.conf first lines IPv4
 - make sure IPv6 DNS server addresses listed and
 - place it before IPv4
 - every new deployed host:
the first lines are IPv6 resolver addresses
of the **resolve.conf** file followed by the IPv4 addresses
 - nameserver 2a00:139c:address
 - ...
 - nameserver 10.privat-address
 - ...

→ **resolve.conf update: reprovisioning required**

details of squid

- SQUIDS (proxyserver and Web-Cache):
 - some SQUIDS still IPv4 only (migration to dualstack in process)
 - significant part of connections via public IPv4
 - => to check: if CVMFS can prefer IPv6?
(CVMFS → CernVM-File-System)
 - CVMFS sending via http request to squid
 - CVMFS has DN configured that needs to be resolved
→ default chooses IPv4 address
 - **solution** => cvmfs_ipfamily_prefer=6 → **not tested yet**

SQUIDS migrated all to dual-stack

During the second half of 2022 all SQUIDS migrated to dual-stack deployment

CVMFS now

- mainly IPv6 but:
- on WorkerNodes uses IPv6 (with deployed flag: CVMFS_IPFAMILY_PREFER=6)
- CVMFS frontier uses still IPv4 even while both systems dual-stack
- but switching of IPv4 → frontiers will operate over IPv6

- statistic:

- July : IPv4 : 1,25 mio. IPv6: 9,6 mio. (tcp port 3128, 3401)
- **October : IPv4 : 4,44 mio. IPv6: 18 mio.** (tcp port 3128, 3401)
- December : IPv4 : 1,47 mio. IPv6 : 2,3 mio. (tcp port 3128, 3401)

Batch-Processing -- LRMS (HT-Condor) all dual-stack

- LRMS (**Local Resource Management System**)
HTCondor at GridKa (all dual-stack and set to **prefer** the
protocoll **IPv6** (Port 9618/9)
 - 4080 – HTCondor (rooster-deamon) → migrated all towards IPv6
 - Ratio increased toward IPv6 at 20220628 → IPv4: 895k to IPv6: **255k**
 - Ratio today 20220728 → IPv4: 27k, IPv6: 2,17 mio. (per 24 hour)
 - **Ratio today 20221023 → IPv4: 10k, IPv6: 3,38 mio.** (per 24 hour)
 - Ratio today 20230102 → IPv4: 287k, IPv6: 2,28 mio. (per 24 hour)

Less than 20% of IPv4 is internal traffic

(communication with home → the LRMS demons uses protocol of home-institution)

Logstash → is now IPv6

Logstash → dual-stack deployed

Ratio 78% IPv6 20220728 → IPv4 385k – IPv6 1,41M

Ratio 74% IPv6 20221023 → IPv4 476k – IPv6 1,39M

Ratio 66% IPv6 today 20221223 → IPv4 227k – IPv6 450k

migration still in progress

administrative services

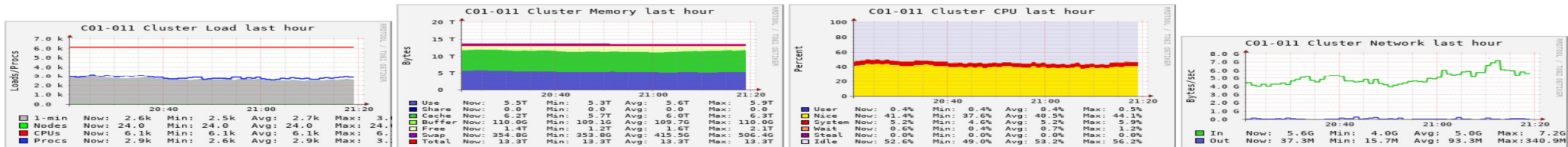
- at each rack is a Rack Manager deployed:
 - starting in 2001 with private IPv4 only
 - migration process initiated (but still in progress)
 - enable dual-stack (AAAA)
 - NTP
 - rsyslog (→ migration → still pending (port 514))
 - monitoring (GmonD → Ganglia client)
 - DHCP (→ migration to DHCPv6 pending)

WN – deployment process

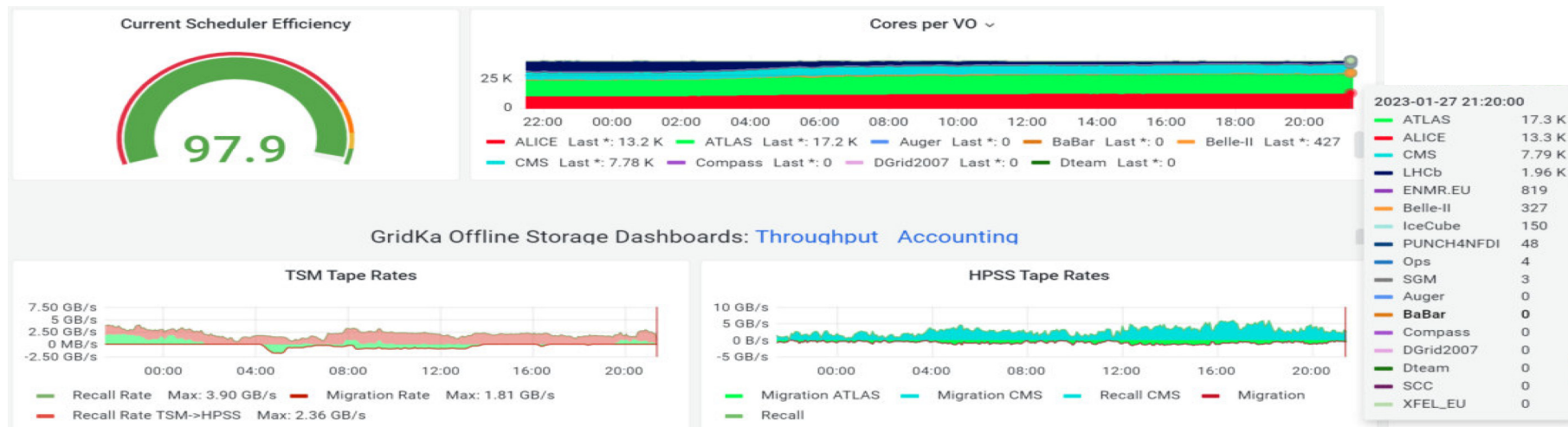
- Redhat Satellite Server (foreman)
 - used for management of most GridKa hosts:
 - manages redhat subscriptions
 - controls kickstart installations (DHCP / PXE)
 - provides yum repos
 - provides CA (certificate authority) and ENC (encryptor) functionalities for puppet
 - uses modular architecture
 - additional functionalities can be added via so called capsules
 - TFTP server (IPv6 ready - dual-stack)
 - Puppetmaster (IPv6 ready - dual-stack)
 - Pulp (software repository management (IPv6 ready - dual-stack))
 - DNS (IPv6 ready - dual-stack)
 - DHCP (currently DHCPv6 capsule not available)

Monitoring

G A N G L I A

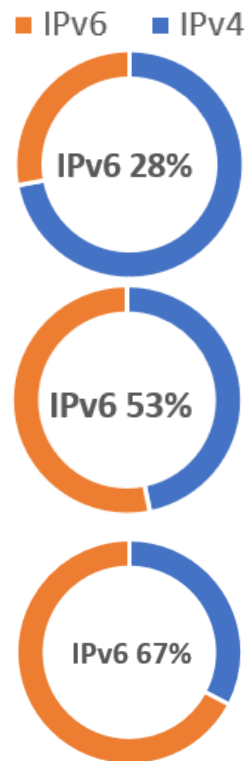


- Ganglia will not migrate to IPv6
- Ganglia will be replaced by opensearch, kibana and grafana



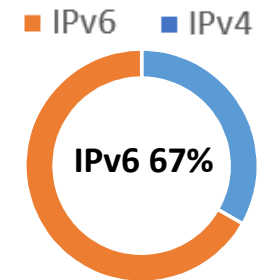
a few statistics

- 20220415:
 - IPv4: → 80 Mio
 - IPv6: → 31 Mio
- 20220726:
 - Ipv4 → 44 Mio
 - Ipv6 → 50 Mio
- 20221023:
 - IPv4 → 69 Mio
 - IPv6 → 142 Mio



20221220:

- IPv4: → 42 Mio
- IPv6: → 86 Mio



(packets in 24 hours)
of WorkerNodes included in the statistic expanded

details of ALICE VOBoxes:

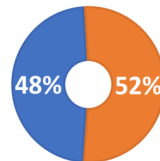
- ALICE VOBoxes:
 - client to VOBox prefers IPv4 (ALICE monitoring _(UDP))
 - => to check the possibility of IPv6 migration with ALICE (still ongoing)
 - dual-stack enabling works and
 - if preference towards IPv6 is possible
 - ALICE is constrained by IPv6 unavailability on other sites
 - → advice of Alice : switch of IPv4 at VO-BOX (the none monitoring VO-BOX)
 - timing still under discussion
 - monitoring (port 8884 / IPv4 only) → 11 Mio. (/24 hours)
- XRootD:
 - via public IPv4 (ALICE)
 - all ALICE XRootD SE are dual-stack deployed
 - older version of XRootD → upgrade to current XRootD should improve, is still pending
 - → advice of ALICE : get IPv6 ready – but wait for switching it on till complete ALICE is IPv6 ready
- dest port 1094 –ipv4/ipv6 → XRootD (alice, belle2, atlas, cms)

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sites with Dual Stack Storage: 34%
sites with Dual Stack WN: 13%



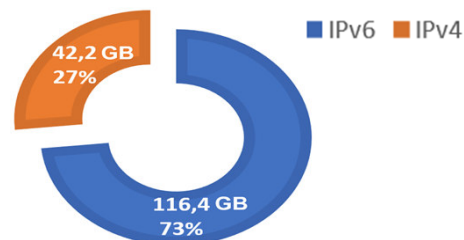
Sites within LHCONE: 48%



Sites at General IP: 52%

detector DB status data (non-/operational) → Ipv4 only

Snapshot (24 hours) End of Jan. 2023



Next steps

- migration of Rack Manager – work in progress
- narrow down the still IPv4 communication
 - packet monitoring configured
 - to list all unhandled IPv4 packets
 - 4080 – Condor rooster Monitor daemon → solved
 - 8884 – ALICE: operation report
 - 2049 – NFS
 - 8649 – Ganglia gmond
 - 1094 – XrootD
 - 961[89] – LRMS (20% only internal to WNFarm)
 - PXE – Boot + DHCPv6 (first boot addr. Distribution)
- identify the next service for IPv6 migration tasks

Thx for your attention

