
Green Computing at Dutch National Supercomputing Center

EGI : Green Computing webinar
Introduction session

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Agenda

- *Introduction to SURF, Netherlands*
- *Energy as a design point for supercomputing operations*
- *Energy experiments on experimental systems*
- *EAR design & data collections*
- *Questions*

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Snellius : Dutch National Supercomputer

AMD

Lenovo

NVIDIA

intel



Snellius

Phase 1:

- 76,832 cores (1.6 ×)
- 144 GPUs (3 Pflop/s, 14 ×)
- Total peak: 6.1 Pflop/s (3.4 ×)

Phase 1 and 2

- Total peak: 11.2 Pflop/s (6.2 ×)
- Full system, based on choice for Phase 3:
 - > 200,000 cores (> 4 ×)
 - Total peak: 13.6 – 21.5 Pflop/s (7.6 – 11.9 ×)

Snellius – Energy Consumption

- HPL Energy Consumption (typical use: 85%, idle use: ~ 25%)
 - Snellius
 - Phase 1: 620 kW (0.7 ×)
 - Phase 1 and 2: 1200 kW (1.4 ×)
 - Full system (“worst case”: Phase 3 GPU): 1430 kW (1.6 ×)
- Average energy consumption based on phasing
 - 2021–2022: ~ 1 ×
 - 2023: 1.5 ×
 - 2024 and later: 1.6 ×

Energy as a design point for supercomputing operations

Datacenter

PUE < 1.19

Waste heat reuse
Through hot & cold well

Use of
Hydroelectricity

Infrastructure
Level

Rear door heat
exchanger +
Direct water
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Hot & cold island

CPU + GPU
architecture

System Level

Energy & power
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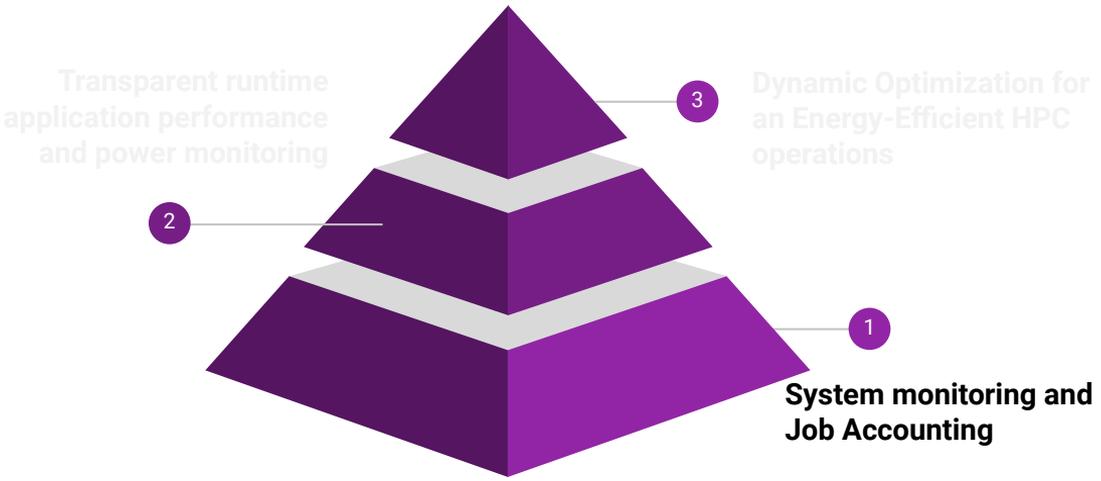
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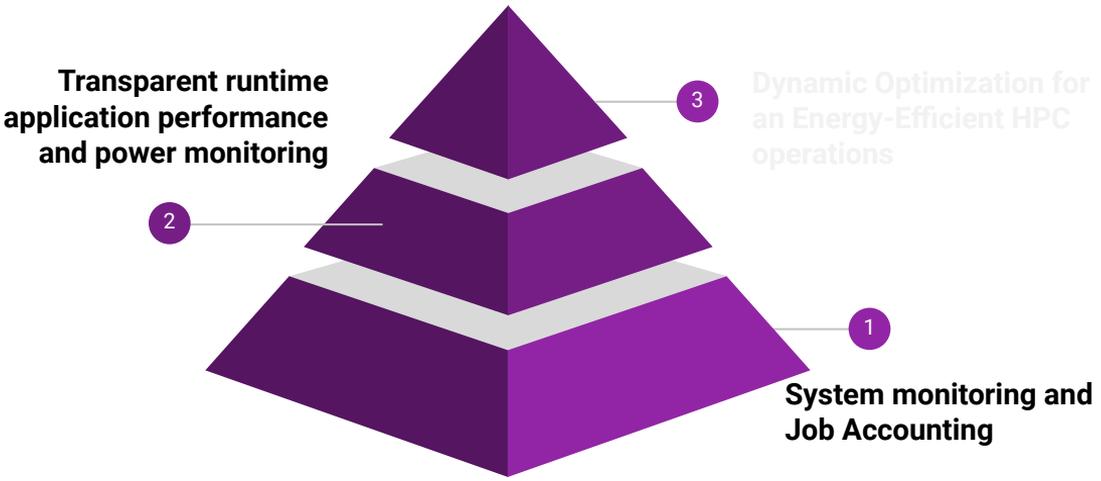
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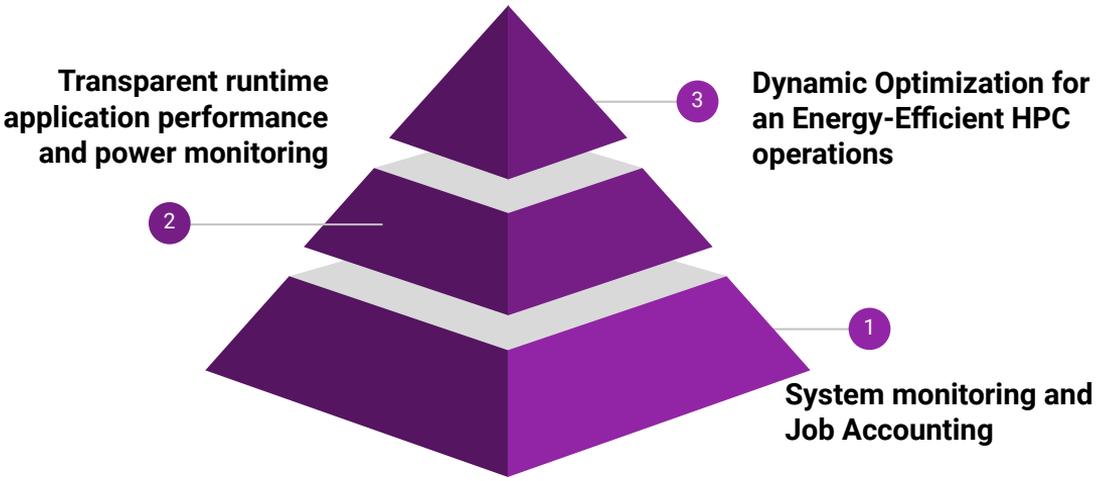
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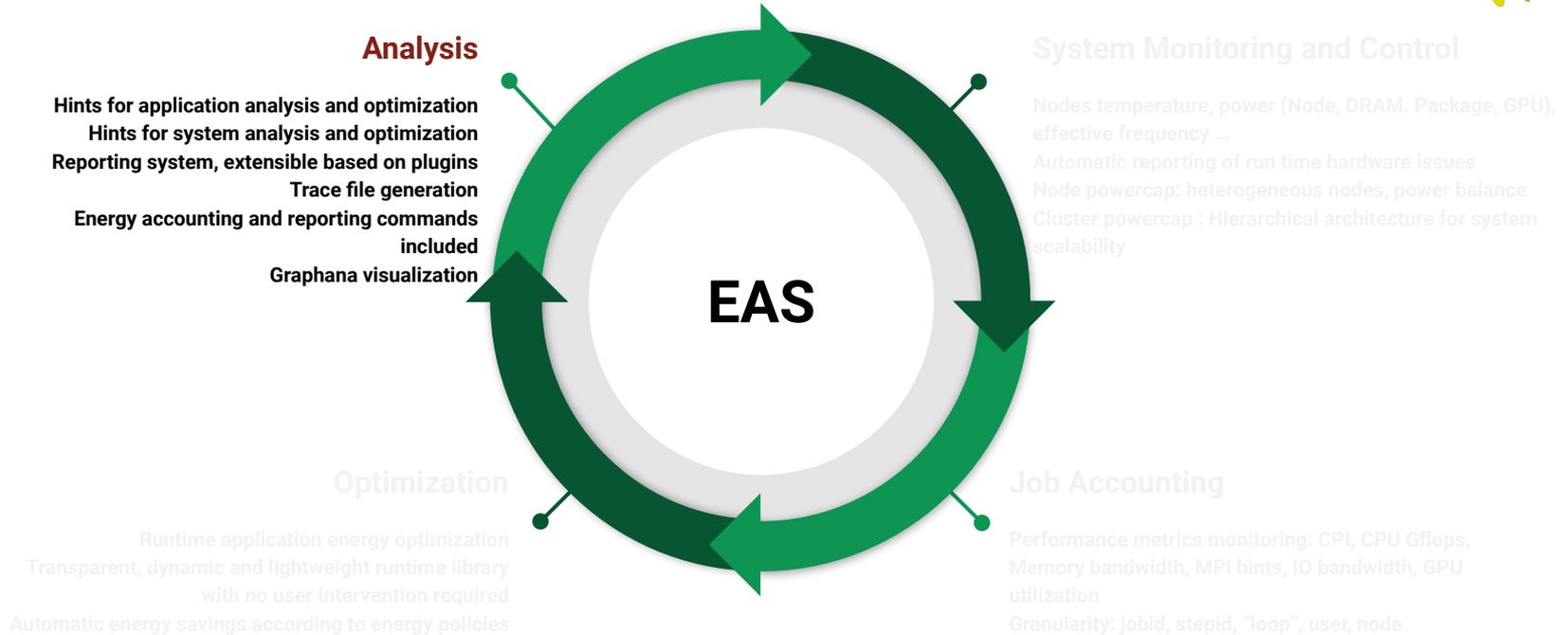
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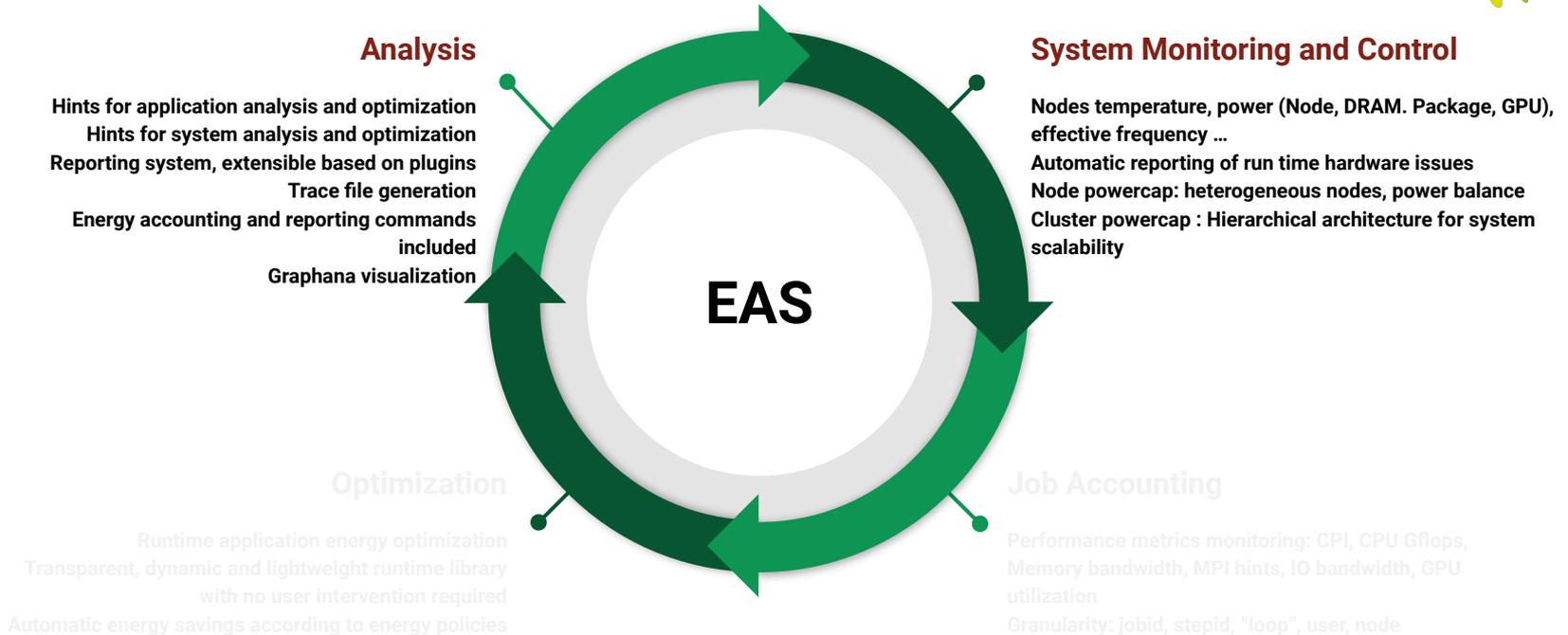
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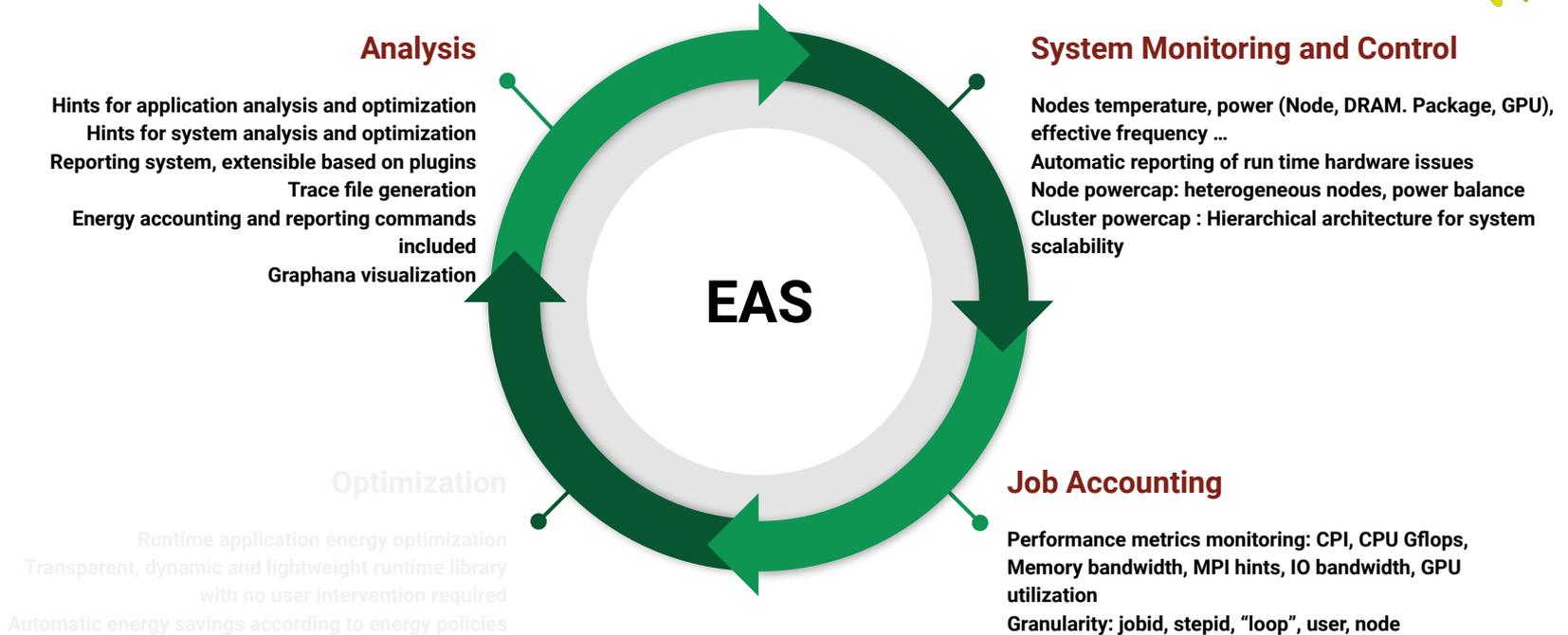
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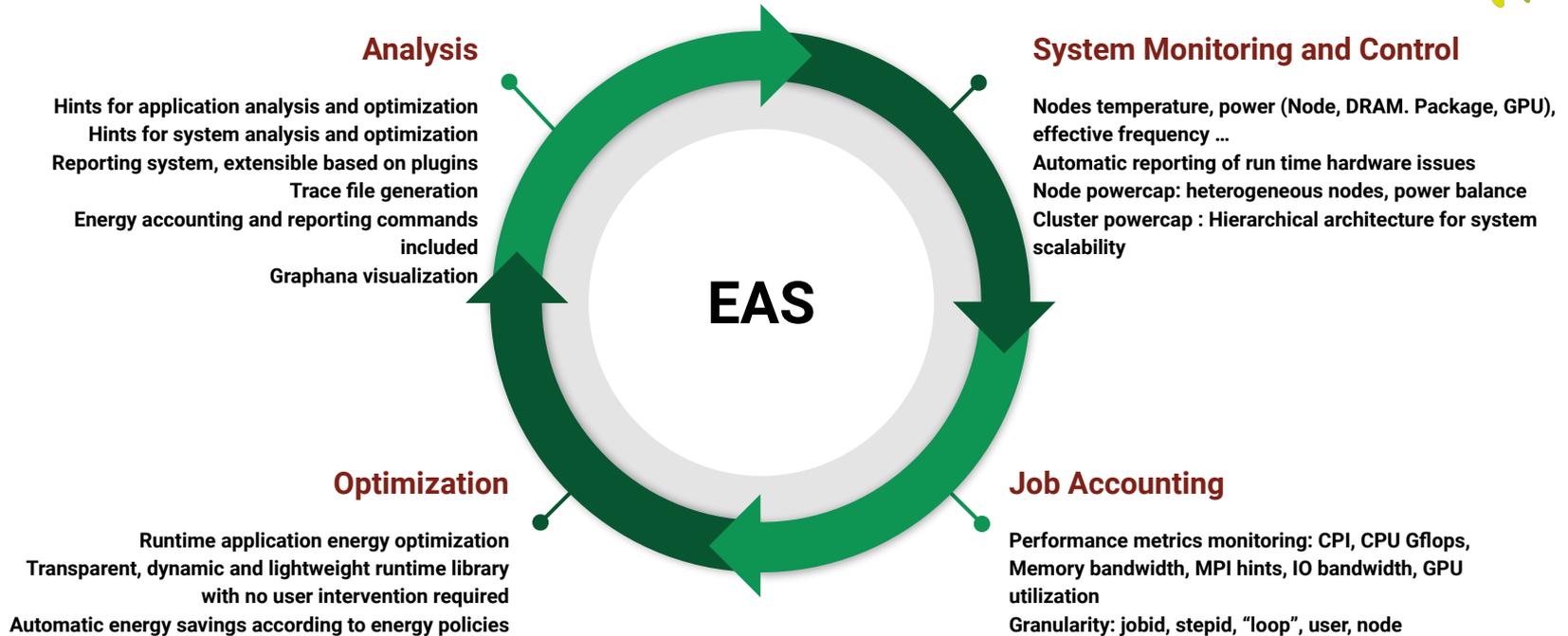
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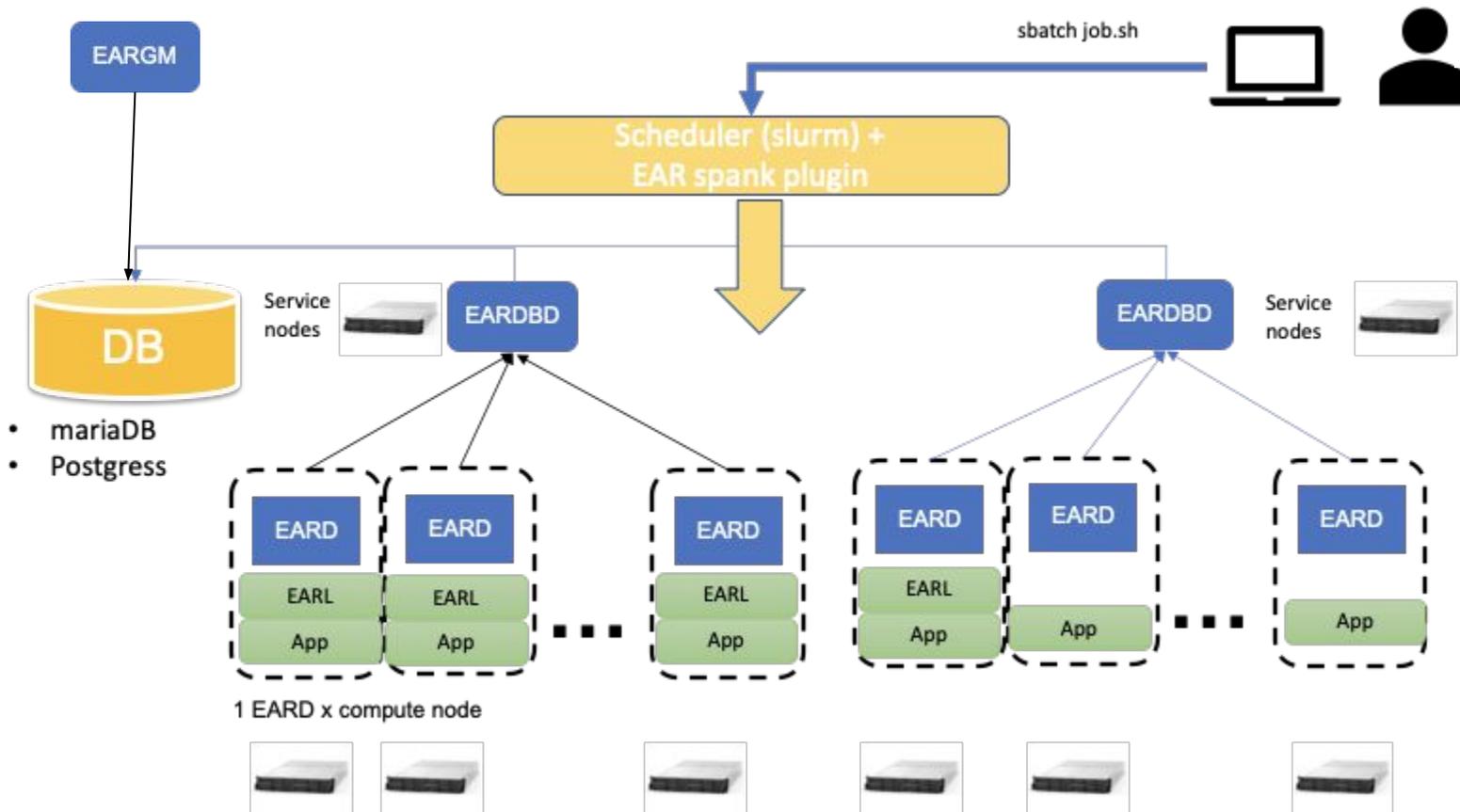


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EAR architecture overview

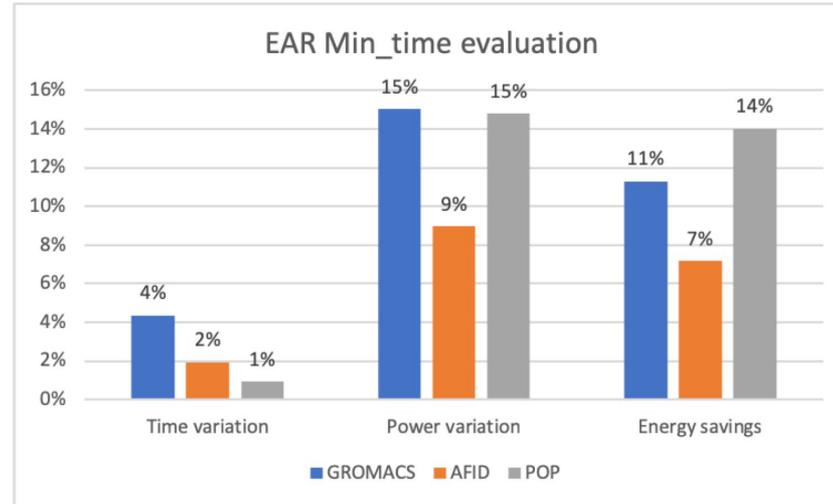


Experimental System for energy experiments

- Experiments system have 4x Lenovo SR650 system
- Skylake 6148 @2.5GHz 40c nodes with 100 g HDR
- 2x V100 nodes for GPU tuning experiments
- Default frequency=2.5GHz
- Easybuild software stack
- Jenkins for automated software builds
- User access for community
- EAR as energy management framework

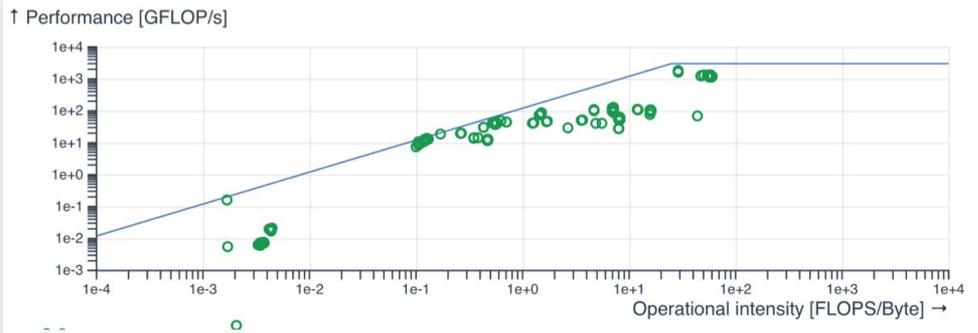
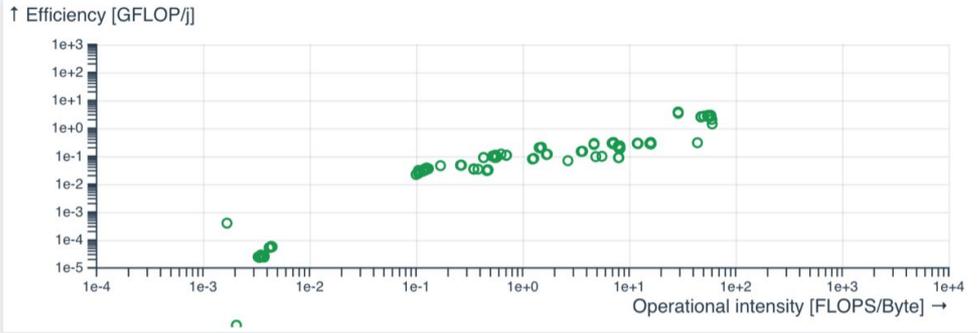
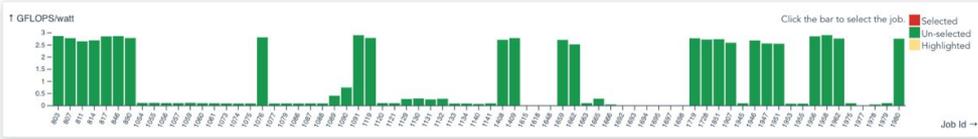
Energy experiments with real use cases

- Application use cases provided by SURF Open Innovation Lab (SOIL) collaboration.
 - Experiments executed in Lenovo SD530 system
 - Skylake 6148 @2.4GHz 20c nodes with EDR network
 - Default frequency=2.0GHz
 - **GROMACS** 640 processes. 16 nodes
 - **AFID** 600 processes. 15 nodes
 - **POP** 400 processes. 10 nodes



– *Average energy savings of 10%*

Visualisation Prototype



Job information

Under construction.

Query job information

User name:

Job ids:

Energy/Power distribution

No job selected!

Recommendations

Under construction.

Application characteristics

No job selected!

Energy consumption
No job information available



Other approaches for achieving energy efficiency

- ML based acceleration for HPC application
- Optimizing the number of simulation required to achieve particular outcome on HPC system
- Exploring Neuromorphic computing for scientific analysis & experimentation
- Introduce the concept of energy accounting



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