Motivation:

- Large scale high energy physics experiments will generate hundreds of PB data
 - LSST, LHC, JUNI, LHAASO, CEPC...
- Not all the data requires same Quality of Service(QoS)
 - Data popularity is not constant in the data life cycle
- Tiered storage may provide a cost-effective and high-performance solution
 - SSD, HDD, Tape, Public Cloud, Remote Site, ...
- Data migration strategy is the essence of a tiered storage system!



Source: Oliver Keeble, WLCG Workshop 2019: QoS Session



Challenge:

- EOS cluster operators don't understand the meaning of user data
 - We only know users' file history access statistics by analyzing EOS FST logs

Available solutions:

- LRU based on history data access frequency
 - LRU: least recently used files migrated to lower tier (SSD->HDD)
 - mainly used in cache replacement policy
 - LRU claims probability of file revisiting will increased if the number of the visits is larger

Existing issues:

- (1) Traditional solutions support just the fundamental locality principle
- (2) low prediction accuracy
- (3) complexity growing rapidly and performance descend for massive files





Built a migration engine based on Deep Learning techniques

(1) Define File Heat

- "hot data"
- small amount of files and datasets that many users are interested in
- \checkmark migrate to faster storage like SSD and SAS
- " cold data",
- mass files and datasets used by a single user for limited processing times,

migrate to lower but high-capacity storage like HDD
(2) Divide HEP files into different categories using the prediction model

(3) migrate files according to predefined rules by time



Prediction model:

- Based on LSTM(Long short-term memory network)
 - an improved RNN which is capable of learning the long-term dependencies
- Model Input features comes from EOS log
 - historical counters of read/write ratio, Re-read, Re-write, Random read, Random write
 - Build file access vectors

<timestamp, filename, filesize, read/write ratio, read/write bytes sequence/random read >

- Use access features in the past to predict future file heat
 - dynamical training time window





Preliminary Tests:

- We have trained a prediction model for LHAASO's EOS storage
 - so far, USED CAPACITY 1.362PB statfs_files 3.19Mil
 - 5,842,207 files access records (2018.4.1-2018.5.1)
 - divided into three groups, training data set(80%), verification data set(10%), test data set(10%)





Test(1) : LSTM prediction vs LRU

- select 100 very hot files and order them by actual file access frequency
- use LSTM and history average value to predict frequency in the next week





- *Test(2):* predict which category would fall in?(hot file or cold file)
 - classification accuracy
 - Hot file prediction accuracy: 87.52%
 - Cold file prediction accuracy: 92.89%
 - Overall classification accuracy : 91.78%
 - Other metrics
 - classification report on two classes, good precision and recall for the LSTM model

	Precision	Recall	f1-score
Avg	0.8716	0.8944	0.8829

precision = TP/(TP+FP)

Recall = TP/(TP+FN)

F1-score = 2*precision*recall/(precision + recall)





Conclusion and outlook:

- > Hierarchical storage is the trend for HEP storage. Deep learning helps make data migration strategy
 - ✓ We implemented a binary classification model for the prediction of file heat: cold or hot
 - ✓ In the future, multiple classification for more complex hierarchy will be implemented.
- We have not considered impact brought by data migration to the storage performance
 - In the future, we will introduce the concept of migration cost, and consider data migration impact on storage performance



