

# Visual Cluster Analysis for Computing Tasks at Workflow Management System of the ATLAS Experiment at the LHC

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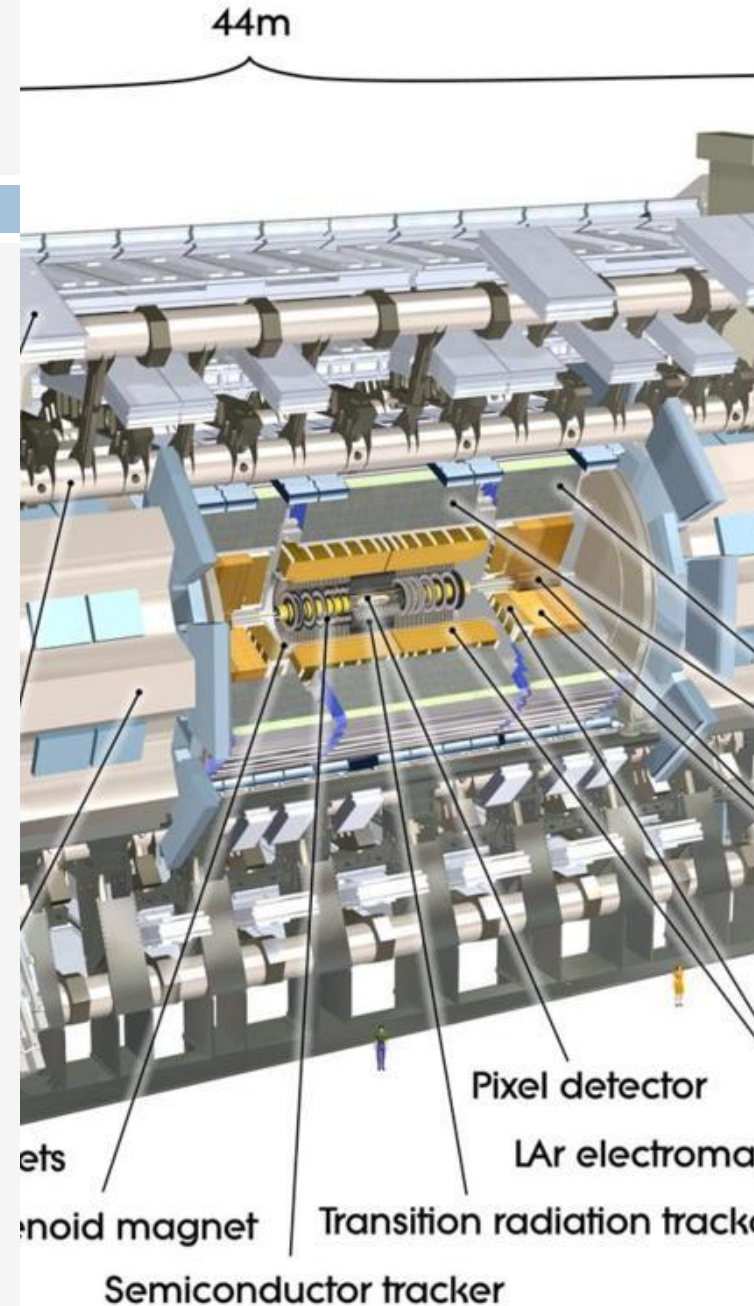
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# Introduction

- **LHC physics with ATLAS at CERN**
  - Largest collider detector ever built
  - Higgs discovery, precision measurements of the Standard Model (including Higgs), searching for dark matter, supersymmetry, exotic particles...
  
- **ATLAS Computing Challenges**
  - Massive computing resources required
  - Huge collaboration – with thousands of data analyzers
  - Ongoing competition for computing resources between different threads of tasks/jobs
  - Complex workloads and workflows
  - Computing needs grow every year with more LHC and Monte-Carlo data
  - Uncountable possible reasons of failures and delays

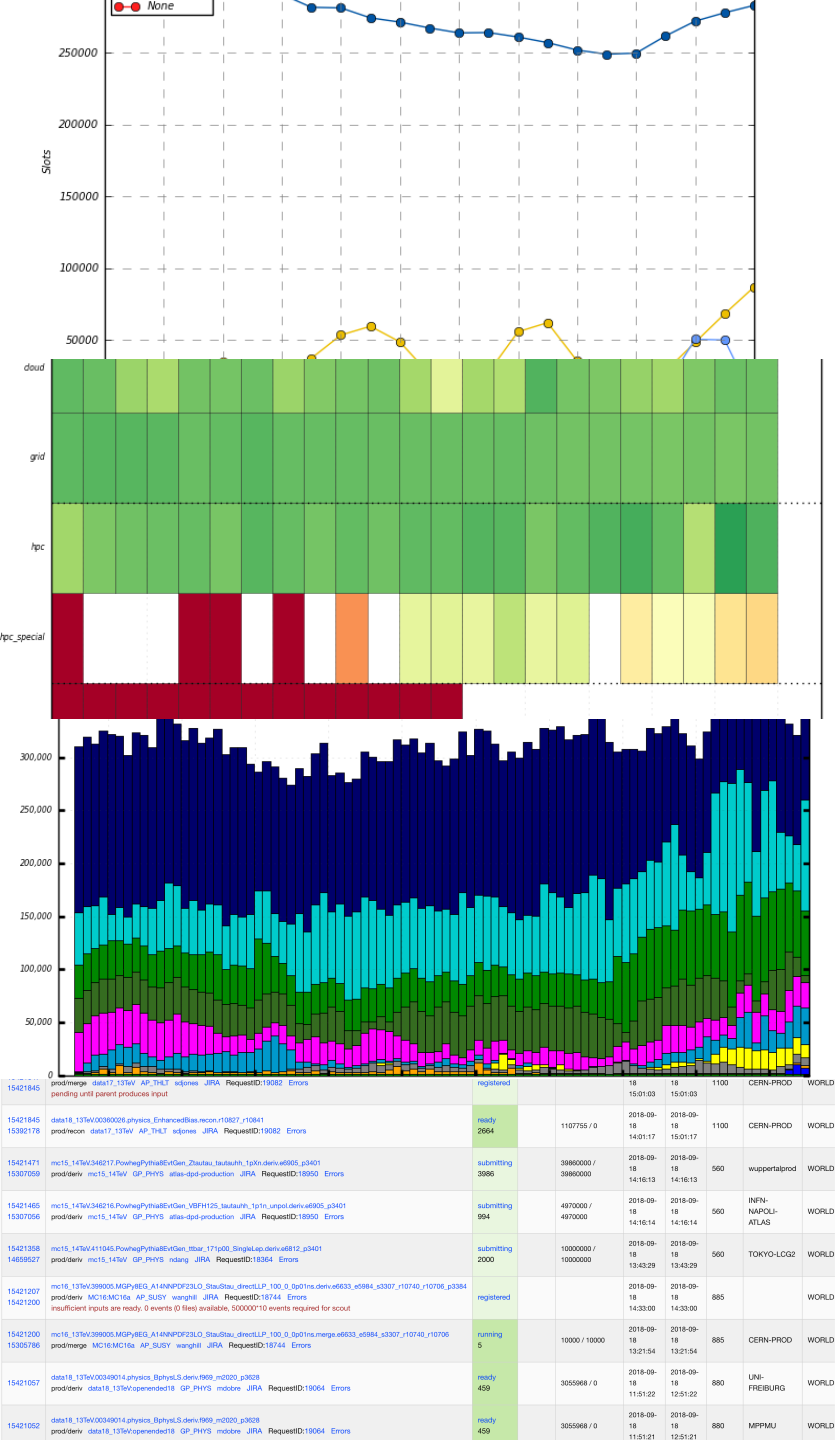


# Distributed Software Pillars

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1. **Workflow Management System** provides an infrastructure for the set-up of a defined sequence of tasks, arranged as a workflow application
  - ❑ Physics Analysis **tasks** contain execution code and input/output files, corresponding to underlying physics process and initial conditions.
  - ❑ Each task is fragmented into **jobs** which correspond to a fixed number of particle collision events.
  - ❑ Jobs are executed on **computing sites**
2. **Workload Management System** realizes the task scheduling. It solves many problems of using unstable distributed computing resources.
3. **Data Management System** is software that takes in data files and converts or aggregates various kinds of data into a single storage datasets or containers.
4. **Grid Information System** provides the information about computing sites and queues.
5. **Accounting** tools used to monitor the utilization of the available computational and storage resources.
6. **Monitoring** provides interface to the system, containing overviews of its operation.

For the last decades ATLAS has processed:  
**10 millions** of tasks and  
**3 billions** of jobs



# Monitoring

- Monitoring includes many views (operational and historical)
  - Tables
  - Plots
  - Bar Charts
  - Pie Charts
  - Gantt Diagrams
  - HeatMaps

# Monitoring Challenges

- Until now, the requirements for the monitoring system have been limited to the use of basic visual analysis methods for a limited class of tasks, and data dimensionality limited to 3 dimensions.
- Current monitoring infrastructure **does not provide**:
  - ▣ analytical studies for estimation of correlations between the numerous properties of objects over time
  - ▣ the analysis of the causes of failures or time delays of computing tasks in a distributed computing environment.
- The constant increase in the amount of processed data and the complexity of ATLAS computing infrastructure produces new challenges related to the visual analysis of large volumes of multidimensional data.

# Machine Learning "BLACK BOX" Explanations

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Solving the problem of optimal and effective usage of the computing infrastructure requires the use of **ML methods to predict the progress of the tasks/jobs execution.**

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ML methods are often treated as a "**black box**" since there are no effective techniques for understanding the internal mechanisms of these complex systems and interpretation of their results.

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Relative **lack of human supervision** makes it hard to fully understand the inner workings of trained models and limits the ability to verify that the models work correctly.

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Visual analytics plays the most important role in data interpretation, it uses **unique human abilities of understanding the complex graphic images.**

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By designing effective interactive visual images, it is possible to provide a fast, accurate and reliable **interpretation of the ML models.**

# Visual analytics of multidimensional data

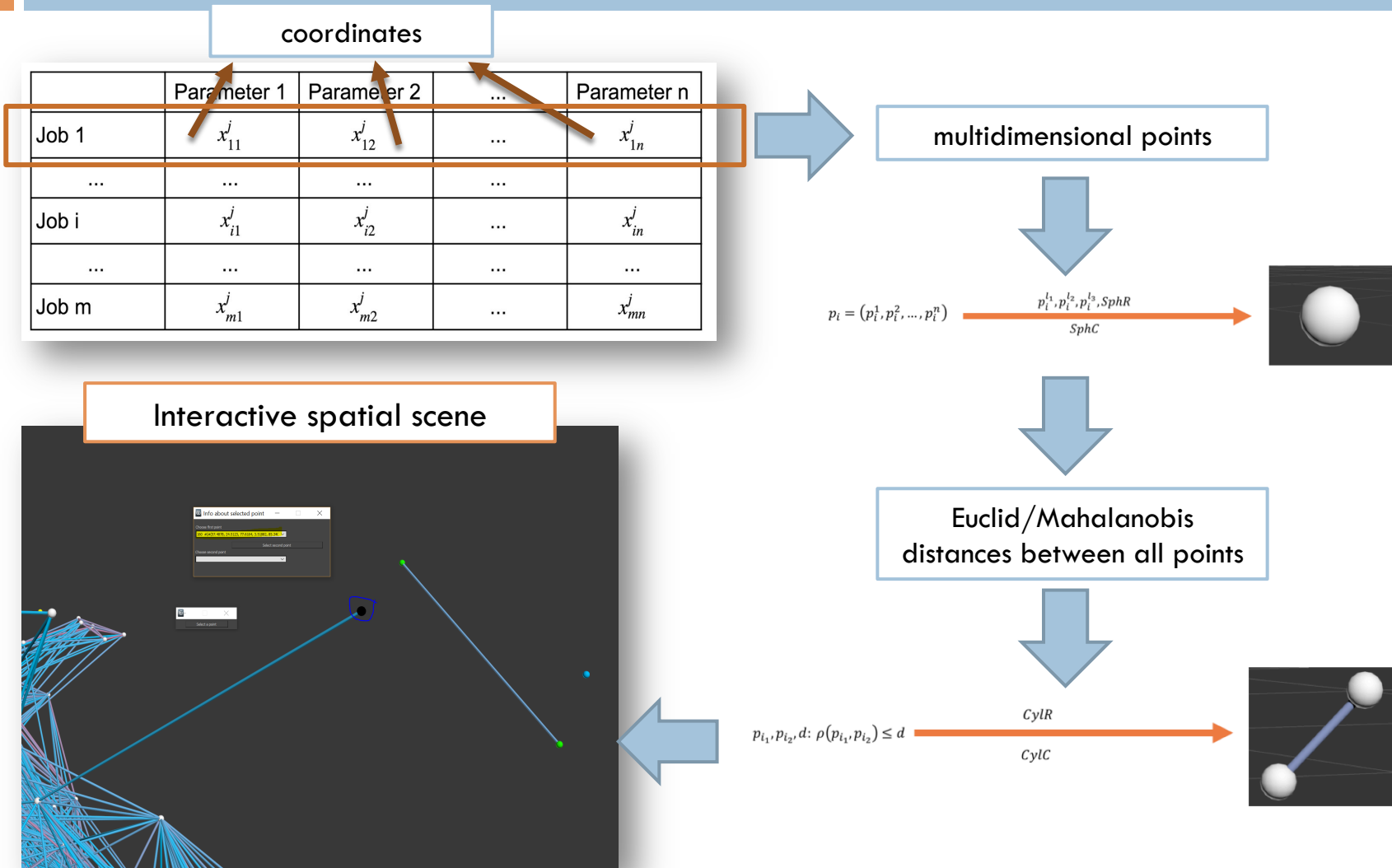
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- **Visual Analytics** uses the power of visual perception as a way to involve humans in solving complex problems with data.
- Visual Analytics is the area of studying **interactive** graphical representations for analyzing complex data. This is often done in addition to and with the help of computational and statistical procedures.
- Visual Analytics can help domain experts with a problem that is to be solved using ML, to verify the **semantic accuracy** of a model, whether decisions made by model “**make sense**”.

**An ultimate goal of this project** is use a modern visual analytics methods to increase the stability and efficiency of the distributed data processing and analysis systems.



# The method of multidimensional data visual representation





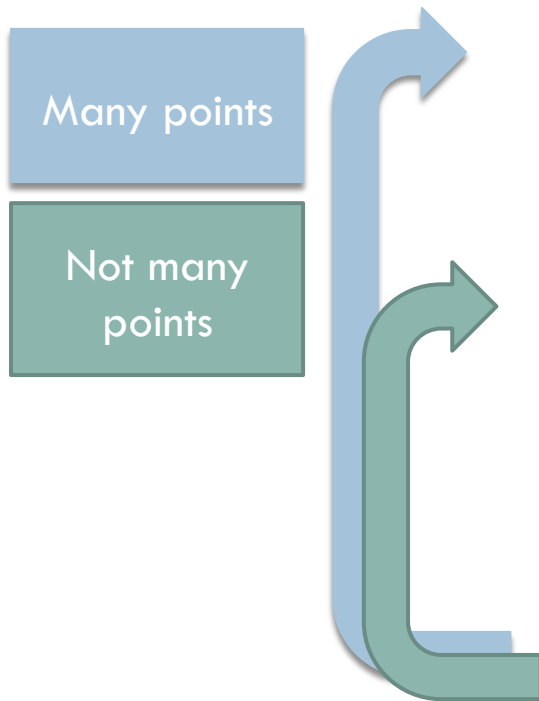
# Big Data Visualization Challenges

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- When data volume exceeds tens of thousands/millions of points:
  - ▣ Some information may be lost or suffer from overplotting
  - ▣ Require considerable amount of computational resources (storage, memory)
- One general approach is **to reduce the amount of data** presented to the user in one go, first presenting an overview of the data to the user, then allow him/her to zoom in/filter out the relevant area/volume and finally provide details when needed.
- **Our approach:**
  - ▣ Multi-Layered Clustering

# Multi-Layered Clustering

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- Feature Selection
- Normalization
- **1<sup>st</sup> level clustering: K-Means** (to split the initial data sample into several hundreds of data clusters)
- Grouping the initial data sample by clusters with the mean values of all features
- **2<sup>nd</sup> level clustering: calculating distances between multidimensional points**
  - Euclid, Mahalanobis, etc.
- Building 3D spatial scene with spheres and cylinders
- Using interactive interface to tune the distance threshold
- Choosing clusters or anomalous points for the detailed analysis

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# ATLAS Jobs Execution Data Analysis

Demonstrated on the proposed visual analytics prototype IVAMD

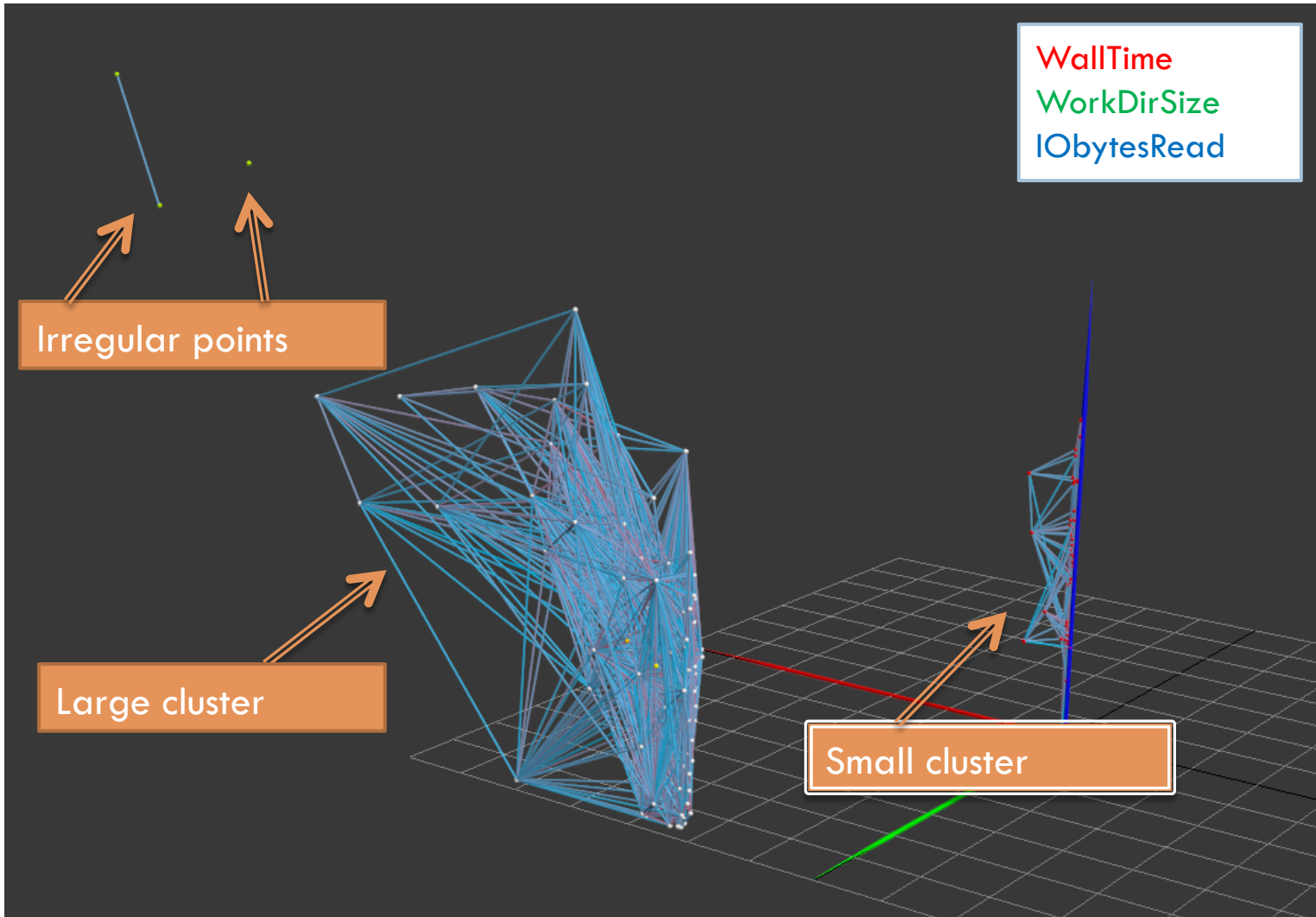
Jobs execution metrics  
chosen for data analysis

- **WallTime** – the time it takes for the jobs to run from start to finish
- **timeStageIn** - time for job wrapper (pilot) to stage the input files to the worker node
- **timeStageOut** - time for pilot to stage the output files to local storage element
- **TimeEXE** – WallTime without staging
- **CPUConsumptionTime** – the time that the CPU is actually working on task (without memory swap)
- **inputFileBytes** - The total size of input files
- **maxRSS** – max available RAM
- **maxVMem** – max available virtual memory
- **IObytesRead** – data read during job execution
- **IObytesReadRate** – average rate of data read
- **workDirSize** – available space of the working directory

# Clusters and Anomalies

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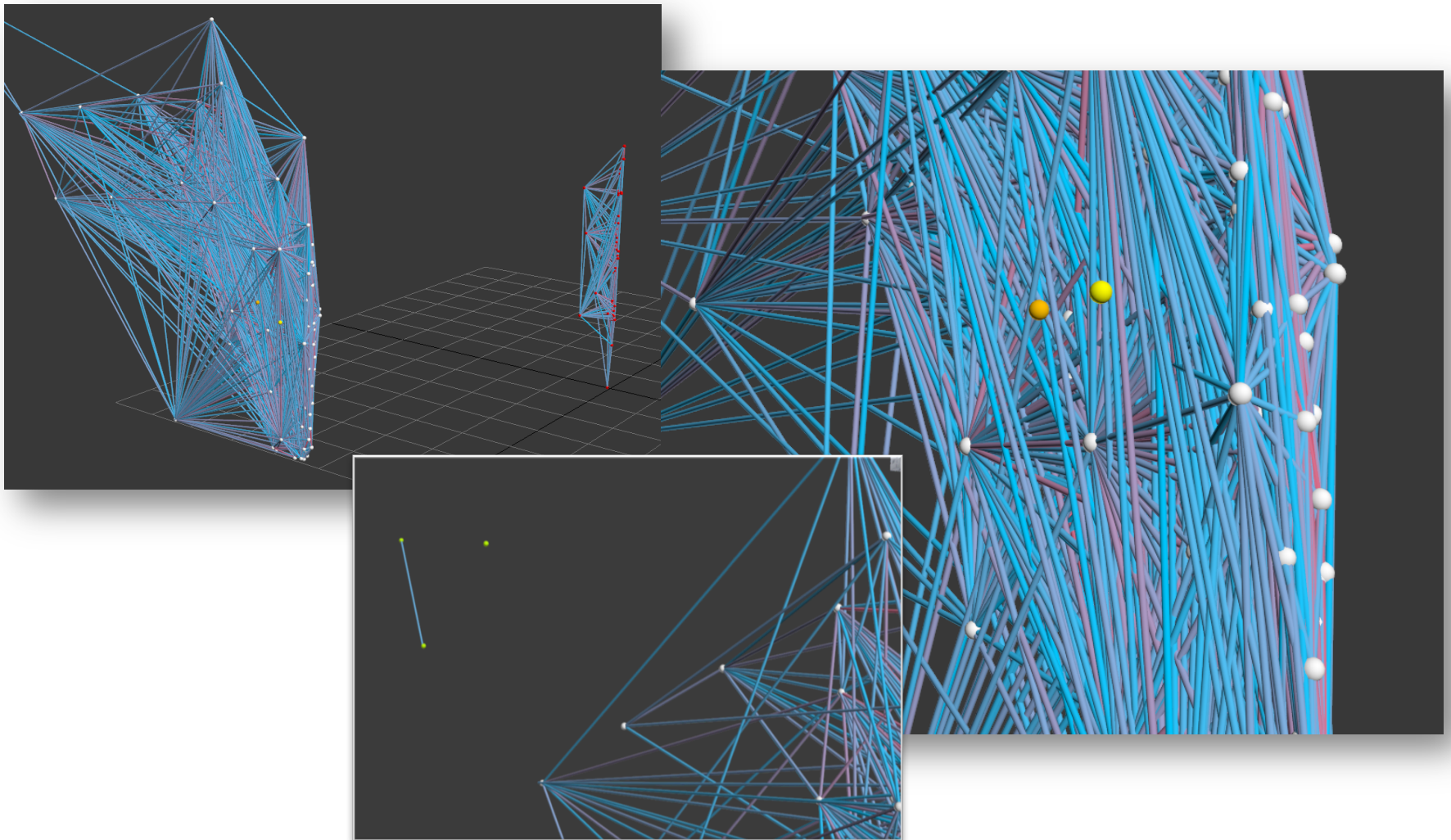
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| Features       | Large cluster | Small cluster       | Irregular points    |
|----------------|---------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| WallTime       | 25 min        | <b>10 min</b>       | <b>227 minutes</b>  |
| CPUTime        | 3,8 min       | 3,2 min             | 3,5 min             |
| TimeStageIn    | 370 sec       | <b>110 sec</b>      | 356 sec             |
| TimeStageOut   | 59 sec        | <b>33 sec</b>       | <b>680 sec</b>      |
| InputFileBytes | 300 MB        | 300 MB              | 300 MB              |
| IBytesRead     | 1 957 MB      | 1 704 MB            | <b>3 029 MB</b>     |
| IBytesReadRate | 3,868 MB/sec  | <b>6,716 MB/sec</b> | <b>0,690 MB/sec</b> |
| WorkDirSize    | 600 MB        | <b>8 MB</b>         | 600 MB              |
| MaxRSS         | 825 MB        | 817 MB              | 814 MB              |
| MaxVmem        | 3 041 MB      | 2 767 MB            | 3 056 MB            |

## Results of cluster analysis

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- The **CPU Time** is in the expected range in all clusters and irregular points
- **Input files sizes** are the same for all clusters and points
- But observed **input data (IObytesRead)** much larger than input file sizes
  - ▣ The amount of read information is a subject to further investigation and analysis. Hypothesis of the reasons could be:
    - Failed jobs on the same site lead to overload of the data streams
    - Input of the data failed and had to start from the beginning
- **Read rate** of irregular points is 5 times slower than in large cluster
- The small cluster has the **highest rates** of data read/write and the **shortest wall time**

## Conclusions and Future Plans

- The methodology of data analysis with the combined usage of machine learning and visual analytics methods has been proposed
- The first prototype of interactive visual analytics platform was developed on the basis of 3dsMax
- The developed methodology and visual prototype have been applied to analyze ATLAS jobs execution
- The development of the next phase of visual analytics model:
  - ▣ Moving to open-source platform
  - ▣ Using web-interface for the integration with BigPanDA monitoring in ATLAS