



Condor at Purdue: Vegetating, Virtualization, and Videos

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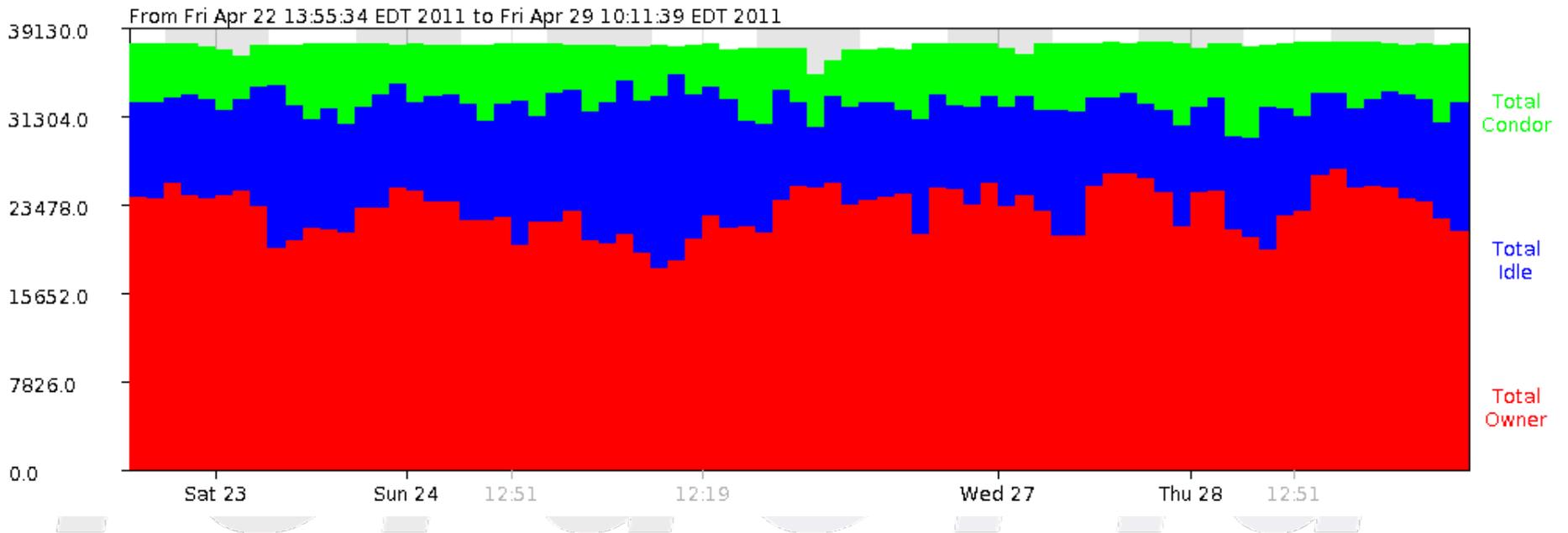
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But first!



We've got a lot of cores

Over 37 kilocores across campus



Condor Week 2011

We've got a lot of cores

- ▶ Three community clusters (Steele, Coates, Rossmann)
- ▶ Two "ownerless" clusters (Radon, Miner)
- ▶ CMS Tier-2 cluster
- ▶ Other small clusters
- ▶ Instructional labs and academic departments

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Might as well share



Vegetating

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"SINCE HE RETIRED ALL HE DOES IS WATCH TV
AND VEGETATE."

Vegetating = hibernation

Financial concerns

- CIO must find \$15 million in *recurring* cost savings

Environmental concerns

- Labs get really toasty!
- Burning coal is not the most environmentally-friendly thing to do

Let's try hibernation

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The path to hibernation

- ▶ Condor support
 - Requires version 7.4.3/7.5.3 or greater for waking to work properly
- ▶ Network ACLs
 - Allow WoL traffic across subnets
 - Alternative: run a rooster inside each subnet
- ▶ Is condor_kbdd.exe running as the logged in user?
 - It had better be!
- ▶ Finding willing test subjects
 - This is actually the hard part

Hibernation results?

- ▲ To be determined...
 - Working with lab admins to test in several labs
 - Reaching out to departments to find more testers
- ▲ ...but CIO report estimates ~ \$300,000/year in savings
 - Based on hibernating 26k machines 8 hours a day
 - Assumes 100% compliance
 - Ignores increased hardware failure rate
 - Saves less than 1% of budget

There's a dashboard for that

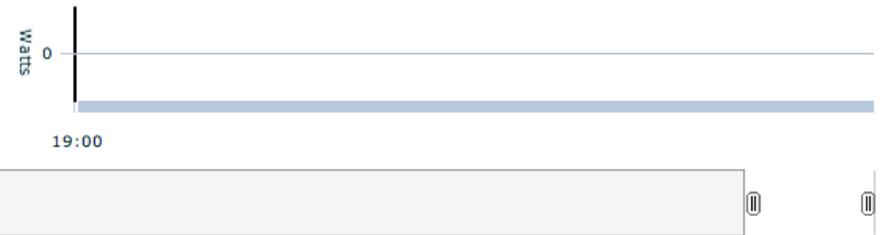
Energy Savings

Owner	Energy Saved	Energy Used	Avg Watts	Computers
undefined	252,069 kWh	317,857,566 kWh	135 kW	269y 181
Science Admin	3,347 kWh	1,732 kWh	625 W	115d 12h
ITaP - Instructional L	0 Wh	3,169,920,112 kWh	329 kW	1099y 35
crc	0 Wh	36,119,982 kWh	36.97 kW	111y 191
ITaP - Research Clus	0 Wh	53,928,541,149 kWh	850 kW	7241y 8d
dthain	0 Wh	5,647,494 kWh	13.62 kW	47y 117d
ramzi	0 Wh	1,450 kWh	298 W	202d 15h
cpoellab	0 Wh	815 kWh	298 W	113d 19h
Office of the Presider	0 Wh	1,455 kWh	299 W	202d 23h
rjansen	0 Wh	33,063 kWh	875 W	4y 114d
cse	0 Wh	7,016,075 kWh	14.91 kW	53y 261d
Psychology	0 Wh	10,000 kWh	531 W	2y 54d 18
striegel	0 Wh	371,081 kWh	3.88 kW	10y 337d
dchen	0 Wh	5,536 kWh	582 W	1y 30d 21
unknown	0 Wh	4,878,023 kWh	9.96 kW	55y 337d
izaguirr	0 Wh	3,379 kWh	455 W	309d 8h
semrich	0 Wh	25,183 kWh	1.10 kW	2y 222d
mniebler	0 Wh	5,489 kWh	580 W	1y 29d 7h
Agronomy	0 Wh	81,929 kWh	2.24 kW	4y 63d 7h
Purdue RCAC VM	0 Wh	1,212,870 kWh	12.91 kW	10y 265d
curt	0 Wh	40,053 kWh	1.43 kW	3y 71d 1h
cheg	0 Wh	45,278 kWh	1.69 kW	3y 23d 2h
ITaP - Other	0 Wh	512,616 kWh	5.49 kW	10y 243d
flynn	0 Wh	460,731 kWh	2.19 kW	24y 12d 8h

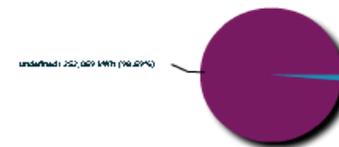
Energy Usage by Owner

Time Frame: 3 Hours | Day | Week | Month

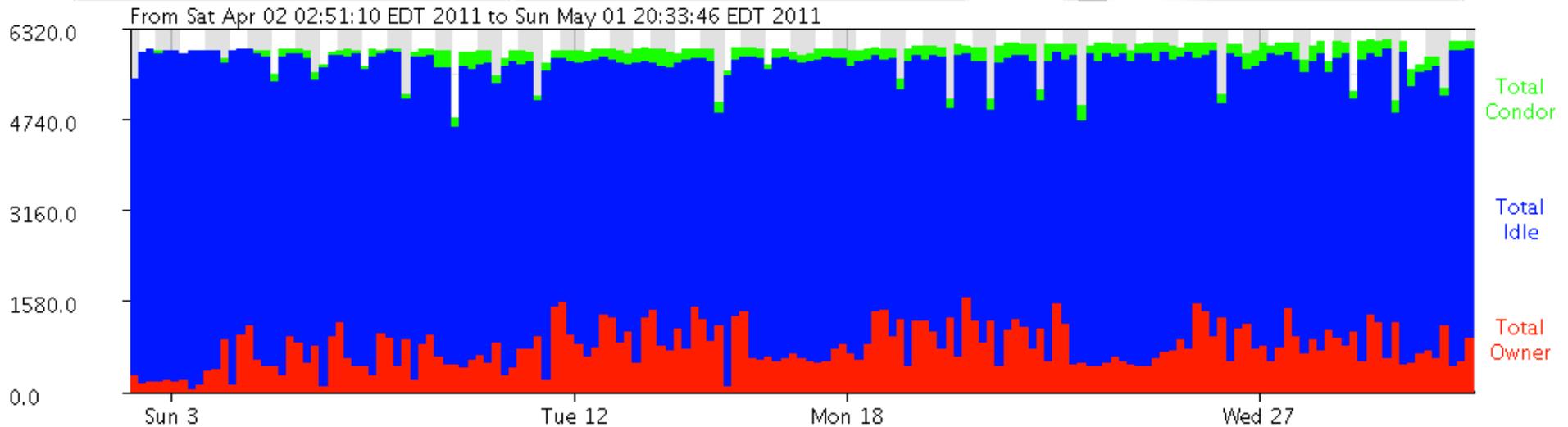
View as: Area | Line



Total Energy Savings



- ▲ We have a lot of unused Windows cores...
 - Approximately 6 kilocores
- ▲ ...and not many Windows jobs
 - 0.5% of submitted jobs in the past year



The solution?

"XZIBIT" Explains Virtualization



Yo, Dawg!
I heard you like computers,
so we put a computer in your computer
so you can compute while you compute!

Condor inside Condor!

- ▶ Bare-bones Linux VMs launched as Condor VM Universe jobs
 - Require jobs to be self-contained
 - A great way to do a Denial of Service attack

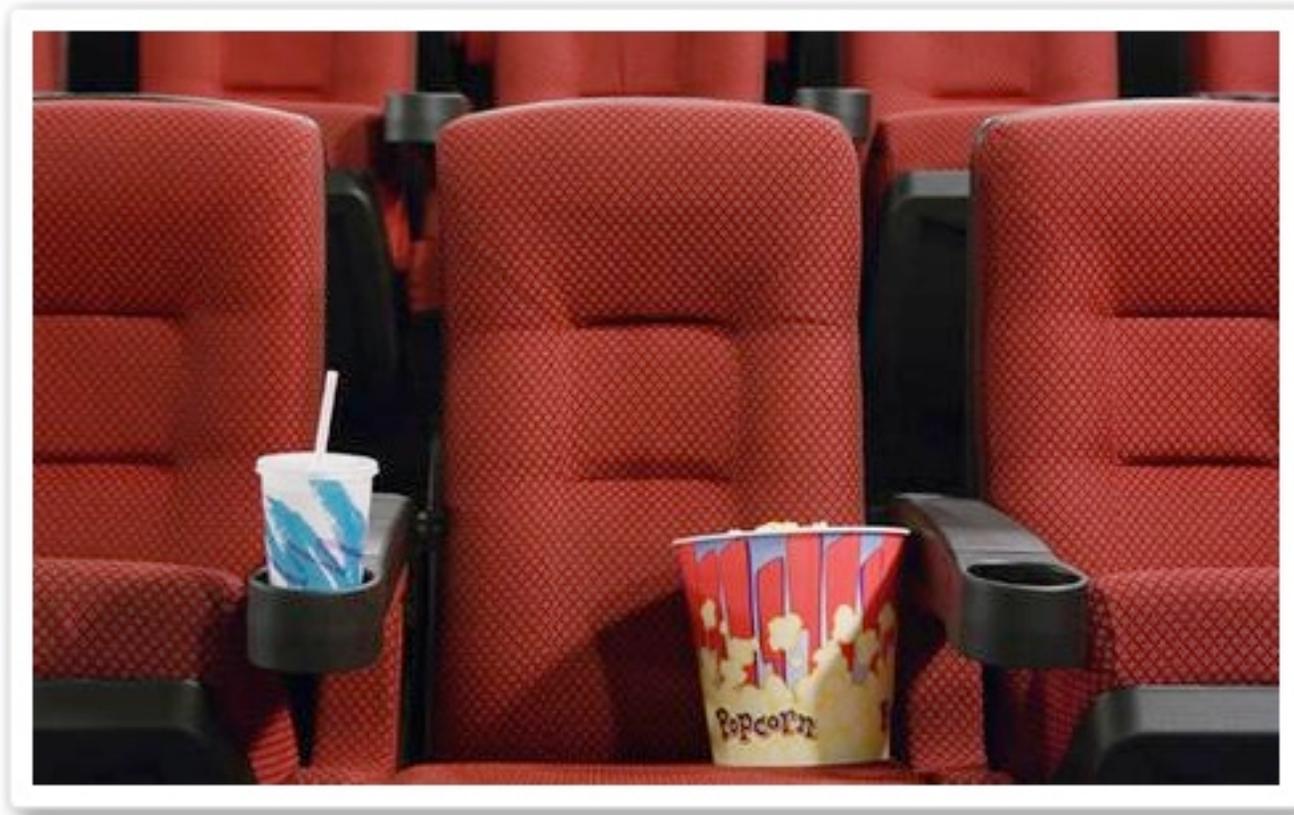
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- ▶ Pre-staging vmdk files conserves bandwidth
 - Job starts require KB of network bandwidth instead of GB
- ▶ Replace IPOP with CCB
 - VM-based jobs start faster
 - No extra service required

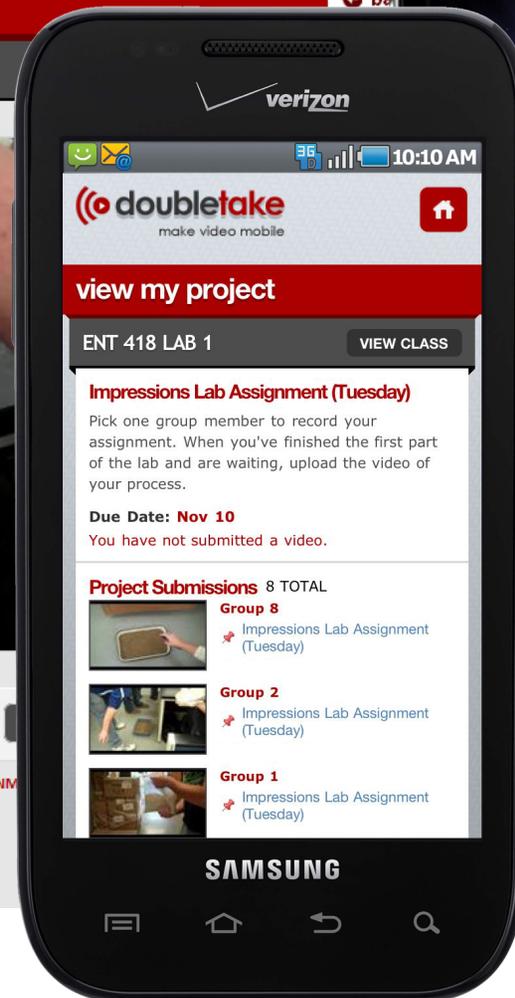
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What's next?

- Wider deployment of VMs
 - Consistent pool of running VMs
 - Standalone (non-Condor) VM management tool
 - Bolt-on application disks
 - Running VMs at partner institutions
- Dynamic VM pool size
 - If a VM is running, the host can't hibernate
- Finding a user to run lots of code over a weekend
 - Management loves sending out press releases



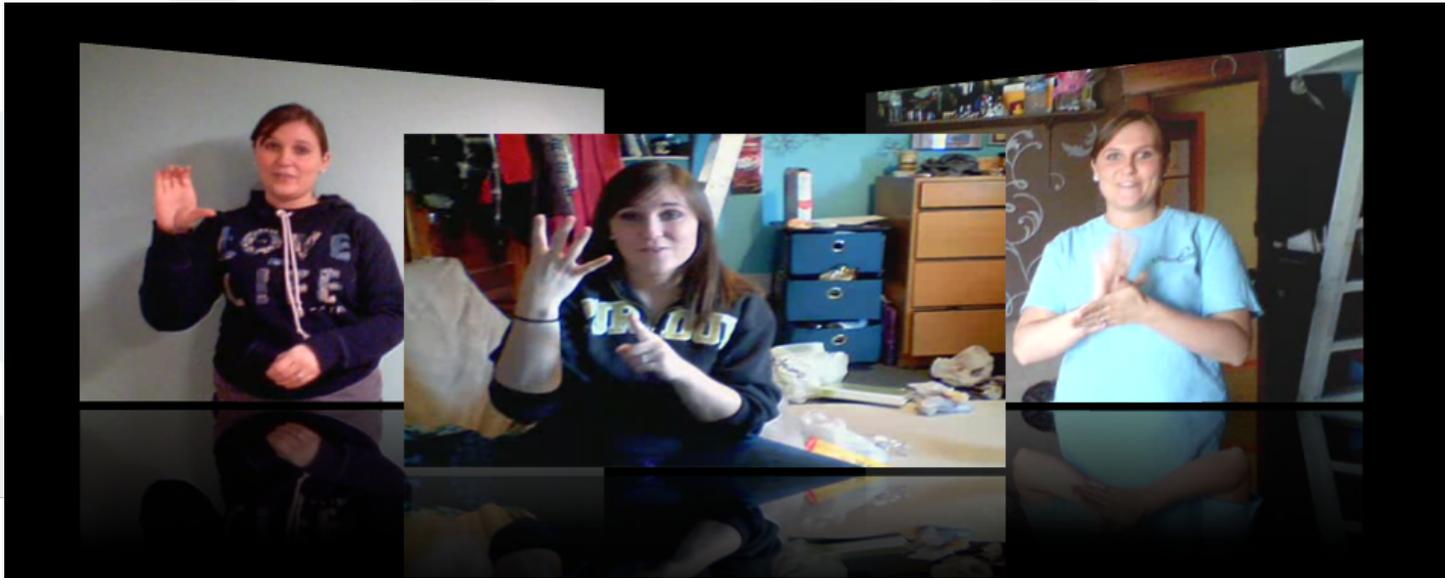
The screenshot shows the Doubletake web interface. At the top left is the Doubletake logo with the tagline "make video mobile". To the right are "home" and "admin" links. Below this is a red "view video" button. The main content area features a video player titled "IMPRESSIONS LAB ASSIGNMENT (TUESDAY) - GROUP 6" showing a person pouring a white liquid into a tray of brown soil. Below the video is an "About" section with a "DESCRIPTION" for "Group 6 of ENTM 418 Tuesday 8:30am Lab". At the bottom, there are status indicators for "GROUP PROJECT" and "ATTACHED TO IMPRESSIONS LAB ASSIGNMENT".



Doubletake – YouTube at Purdue

- ▶ Student-submitted video assignments
 - Great for ASL assignments
- ▶ Jobs grabbed from web submission and rendered with Condor and ffmpeg
 - Preempts jobs on the two dedicated nodes
 - Can flock to the rest of the Condor pools
- ▶ Jobs shoved to website when rendering is complete
 - 10 MB/minute encoding times

DoubleTake



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The Future



- ▶ More cores!
 - Another cluster coming in the fall
- ▶ More DiaGrid participants
 - Ball State University, University of Delaware
- ▶ More VMs
 - Application/domain specific virtual machines?
- ▶ Need more users
 - What are we going to do with all of these spare cycles?

We're hiring!

- ▲ DiaGrid job opportunities coming
 - Condor expert/enthusiast
 - Experience working with researchers
 - Strong problem solving
 - Parallel programming skills preferred
- ▲ www.purdue.edu/jobs
 - (positions are not yet posted)

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The End



Questions?