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HST OPERATIONS

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Linux / MSSQL Migration

- Migrated all data processing and archive operations from Solaris / Sybase to Linux / MSSQL
 - Allows for faster processing
 - Uses modern hardware
 - Old hardware reached end of life
 - MAST and HST databases now all on MSSQL



Linux / MSSQL Migration

- Did extensive testing and operations to verify products and databases
 - Ran in parallel operations mode for 5 months
 - Months of database verification checks
 - Differenced data between two systems
 - Ran completeness checks between two systems
 - Had instruments groups verify data
 - Involved beta testers to look over archive searches and retrievals

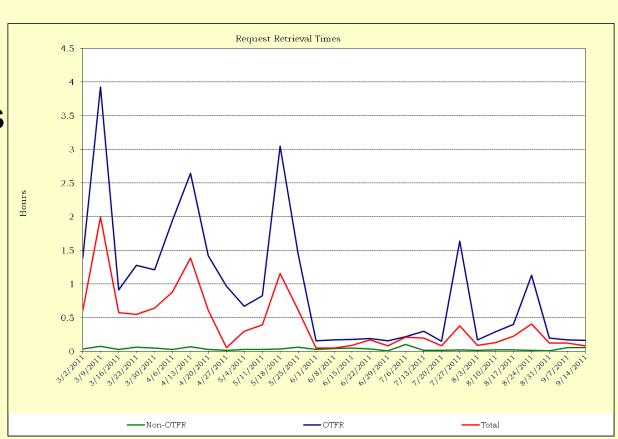


Linux / MSSQL Migration

- Ported related tools
 - Now replicating MSSQL databases to mirror sites
 - Reference file system ported
 - Metrics processing ported
 - PI notification tools ported

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- Archive
 distribution
 retrieval times
 have
 significantly
 improved
 - Solaris 2011,
 median time to
 complete a
 request was
 43.8 minutes.
 - Post-Linux transition it is now 7.1 minutes.





Operational Highlights

- Archived the millionth HST science observation on July 4
- Migrated Archive Helpdesk to "Footprints" on June 28
 - Allows for easy categorization of issues and faster response to users
 - All of the Institute helpdesks now using Footprints
 - Allows for better transfer of questions between helpdesks
 - Allows for more uniform answers throughout the Institute



Operational Highlights

- Reprocessed the first year of WFC3 data to better populate the database
- Reprocessed and statically archived all pre-SM4 NICMOS data
- Repaired UPS backing up many critical components
 - Caught fire in January, bringing datacenter down for half a day

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HST DEVELOPMENT

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Development Highlights

- Migration to Linux/Microsoft SQL
- Impact evaluation of Pacor Automated OPS
- Instrument/pipeline Support
 - CALWF3 update
 - STIS pipeline failures
 - Flight Software Changes (STIS)
 - CALACS with no IRAF

Future Development

Instrument Highlights

- Instrument/pipeline Support
 - STIS flight software problem with time tag data
 - Continued science data processing improvements
 - Astrodrizzle
 - CALACS w/CTE
 - COS reprocessing/cataloging enhancements
 - CALxxx with no IRAF

Future of OPUS (FOO)

- Upgrade workflow processing
- JWST study is complete
- Condor, open source high-throughput computing software framework has been selected
- Test Case: HLA ACS Multidrizzle pipeline via Condor

Background Automated Reprocessing (BAR)

- Online cache of latest calibrated products
- Improvement in product delivery, direct and immediate access

 FOO/BAR: Presented to HST Mission Office, awaiting decision

Infrastructure

- Replace DADS Operator Interface
 - Web based UI
- Deploy Database clustering technologies to DADS
 - Internal and Public databases
 - Improve uptime, reliability and performance
 - Enhance db metrics and tracking
 - Leveraging capabilities in MS SQL