

Reproducibility with IO-500... and challenges

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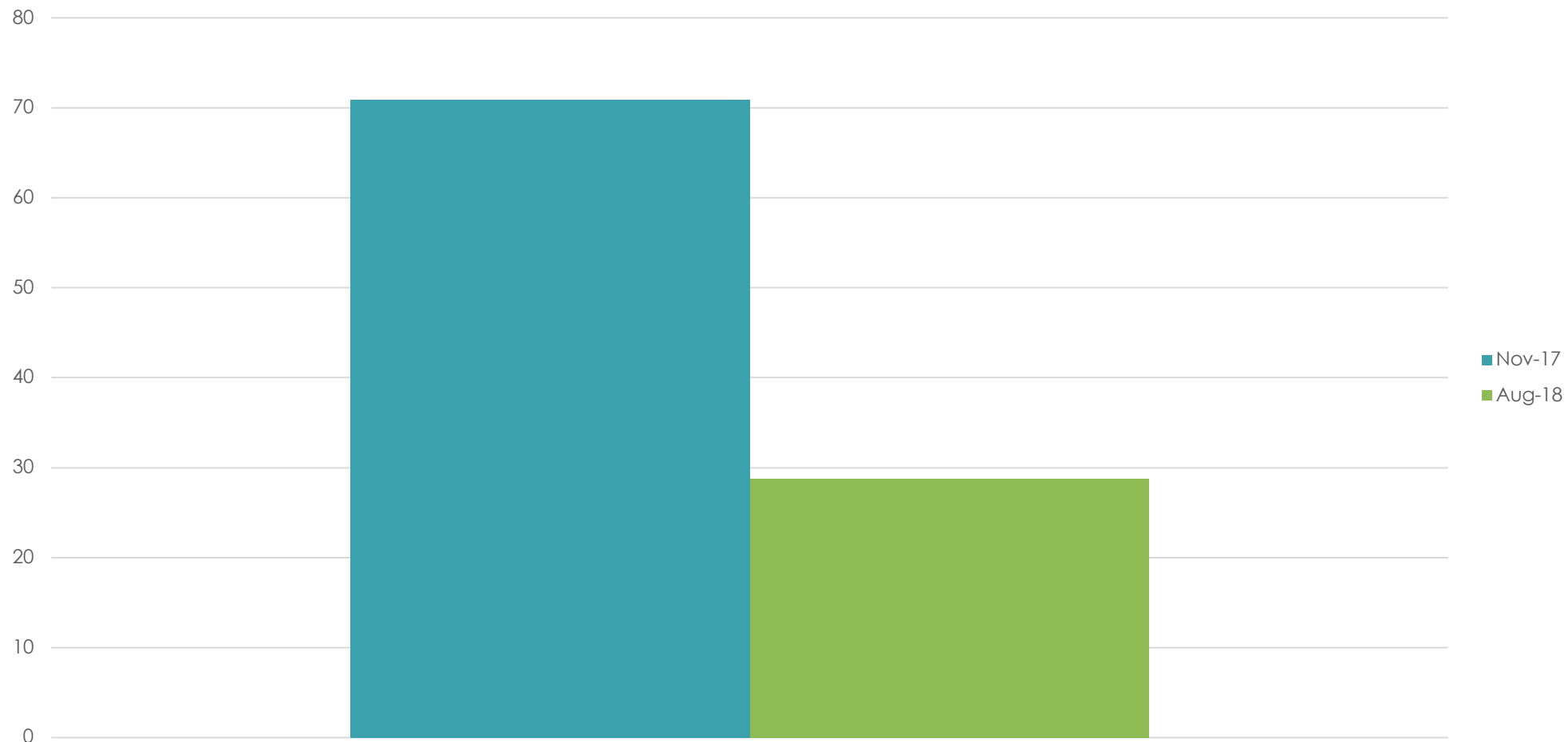
Resources

- Shaheen II, a CRAY XC-40 supercomputer
- Using 300 compute nodes
- 256 Cray DataWarp nodes with 2 SSD each one.

Executing IO-500 benchmark after long time

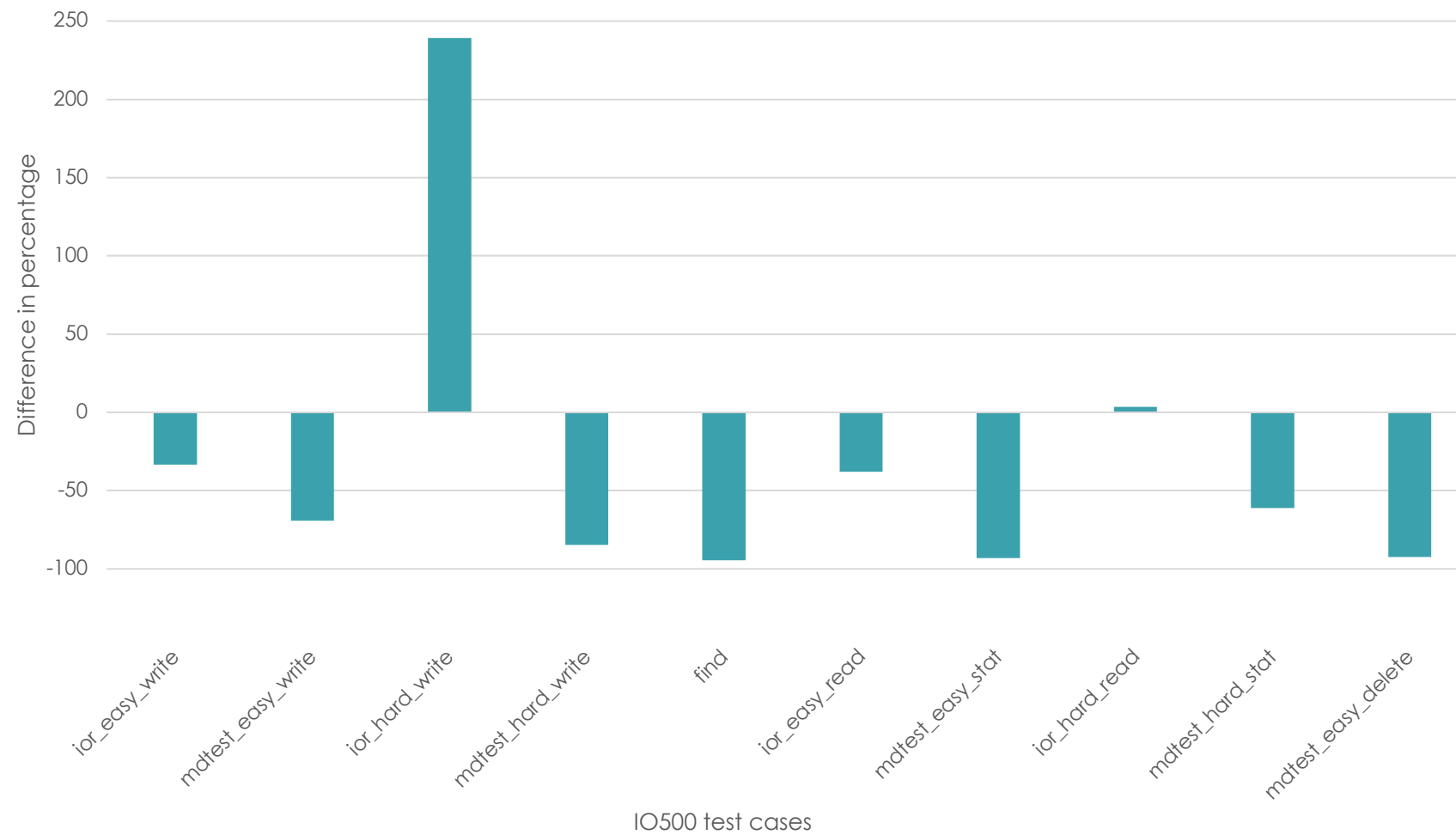
- Using the scripts from the previous submission and same resources
- Expecting valid results
- Hoping to have a submission ready with just one execution
- Job is starting...

Executing IO500 after 9 months



The IO500 score was decreased by 60%!

Comparison of two IO500 executions over 9 months and software upgrade
Shaheen II, Cray DataWarp



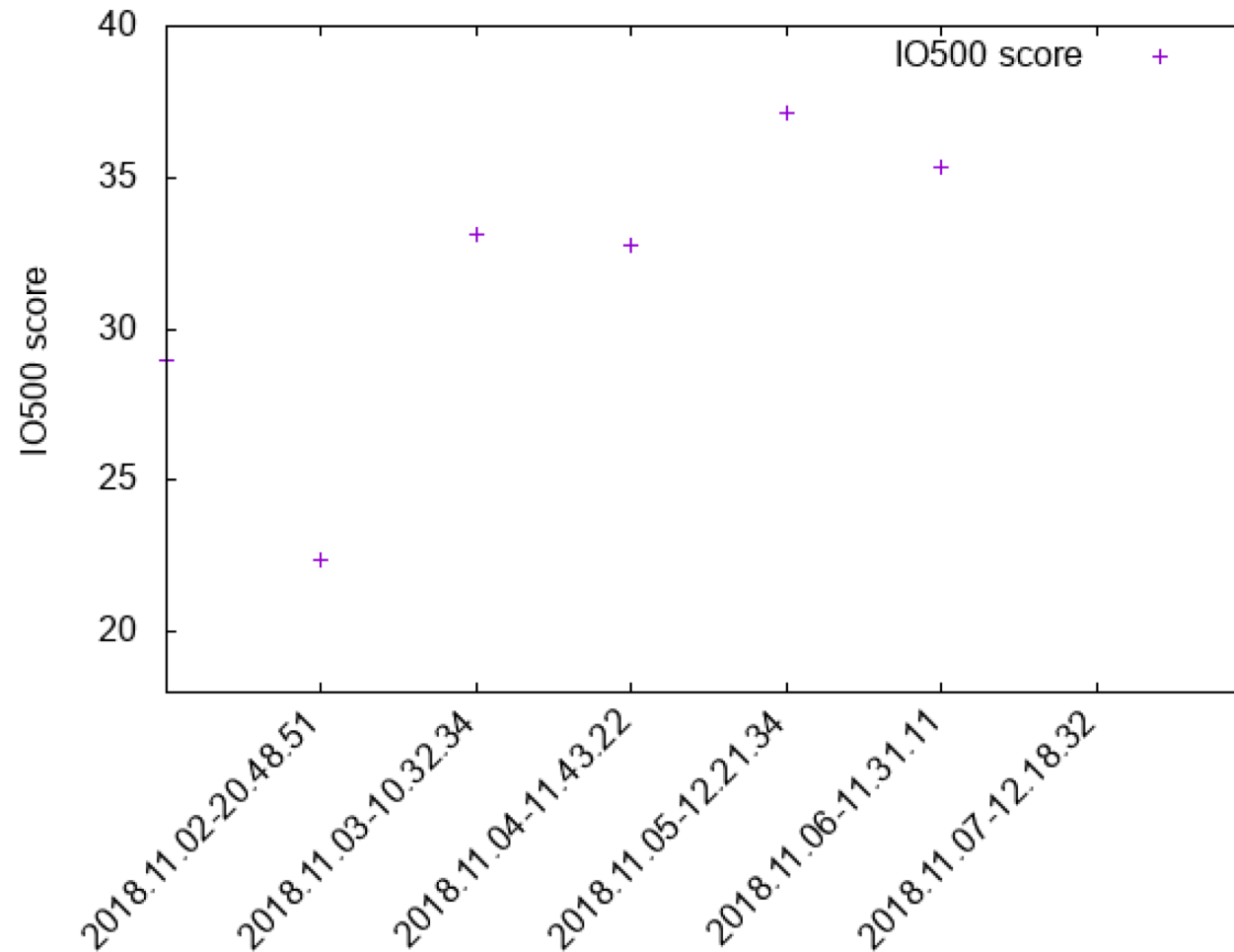
Re-running IO-500 after 9 months, how difficult could it be?

- What is changed on the system?
 - ShaheenII from CLE 5.02 to 6.05
 - New version of Suse Linux
 - New compilers
 - New MPI
 - DataWarp firmware
- Executing IO-500 on CLE 5.02 took 82 minutes
- On CLE 6.05 it didn't finish either in 500 minutes

Use IO-500 in your regression tests!

- Decide the size of the benchmark
- No need for 5 minutes limit for regression tests
- Be sure to use it before and after of any significant change on your system
- Track the results across the timeframe
- Identify which metric is causing problems.

Tracking performance of IO-500 benchmark over time



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Questions?