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♦1st lesson

- The problem of Large scale Computing
- Applications that need Large scale Computing: an example (LHC)
- Complexities and data Management
- Possible solution(s): Distributed Computing and Data Access
 - ⇒ Is a viable solution?
- Grid Computing, a component of a possible solution
- ◆2nd lesson
 - How and why building a Computing Model
 - Measurements of the "Model": Data Challenges (LHC)
 - Where we are: results of LHC Experiments Data (and Physics) Challenges
 - What is still missing? And how much time is left for a "solution"?
 - Conclusions







- Data amount (> several PetaBytes*)
- Data distribution (> 100 sites)
- Computing power needed (> tens of MSI2000⁺)
- Number of users (> 5000)
- Complexity of algorithms (>~ 500 k lines of code)
- Chaotic access (~ thousands of independent access per user)
- Coordination of resources infrastructure (> hundreds of Million Euro)
- Heterogeneity of resources (~tens/hundreds of different systems

*One PetaByte = 1000 TBytes >~ 500.000 movies DVDs

*One "modern" PC's CPU ~ 1000 SI2000



Do we have "large scale" Applications?



*Yes, we have (or we will shortly have)

•Experiments with particle accelerators (LHC) for example \rightarrow

But also non-LHC Experiments (or other social activities)

- Earth observation (satellite)
- Cosmic rays HEP experiments
- Astroparticle experiments (also with earth orbit apparata)
- World stock market
- Prime elements availability
- Whether forecasts
- WEB mining
- Etc



From Physics to Raw Data











2037 2446 1733 1699 4003 3611 952 1328 2132 1870 2093 3271 4732 1102 2491 3216 2421 1211 2319 2133 3451 1942 1121 3429 3742 1288 2343 7142

Basic physics

Fragmentation, Decay

Interaction with detector material Multiple scattering, interactions

Detector response Noise, pile-up, cross-talk, inefficiency, ambiguity, resolution, response function, alignment, temperature Raw data (Bytes)

Read-out addresses, ADC, TDC values, Bit patterns



From Raw Data to Physics















LHC Experiments



ATLAS, CMS, ALICE, LHCb

Higgs and New particles; Quark-Gluon Plasma; CP Violation







Large Hadron Collider LHC



Proton - Proton Collision

Beam energy : 7 TeV Luminosity : 10³⁴ cm⁻² s⁻¹ Data taking : > 2007

bunch-crossing rate: 40 MHz

~20 p-p collisions for each bunch-crossing p-p collisions $\approx 10^9 \text{ evt/s}$ (Hz)











How Much Data is Involved?









CMS Data Acquisition









Events:

- Bunch crossing time of 25 ns is so short that (parts of) events from different crossings overlap
- Signal event is obscured by 20 overlapping uninteresting collisions in same crossing
- ➡ Track reconstruction time at 10³⁴ Luminosity several times 10³³





10⁹ events/sec, selectivity: 1 in 10¹³ (1 person in a thousand world populations)





- •Users just sit at their own home (Institution)
 - And cannot "go" near to the data (too much Money!)
- Moreover, "Funding Agencies" want (prefer) to invest at their own Country
- Therefore Actors are distributed worldwide

The Solution, if possible, has to cope with location of users, ...
and Resources!

And has to foster local ability to gain access to local resources (Computing, humans, organization, infrastructure,...)



ATLAS Collaboration







LHC Computing: *Different* from **Previous Experiment Generations**



- Geographical dispersion: of people and resources
- Complexity: the detector and the LHC environment
- Scale: Petabytes per year of data
- Technology: Software (Object Oriented) & Hardware (Commodity)



Major challenges associated with:

- Coordinated Use of Distributed Computing Resources
- Remote software development and physics analysis
- Communication and collaboration at a distance



CMS World-wide Distributed Productions





CMS Production Regional Centre

CMS Distributed Production Regional Centre





Data Management Complexity

- Information are dispersed
- Bit of information of interest is hidden
- •Objects are the natural (?) piece of information
- Access to objects is a possible solution
- But replication at different sites has to guarantee consistency (at the bit-wise level)
- Access to the "same" information in different sites must be "transparent"
 - Catalogs and Data bases issue: both relational and Object oriented
- Everyone has to be guaranteed of the same data access quality (not performance ...)





◆Vincenzo?

 (Vincenzo Innocente is the software Architect of CMS!, not the only one!)

•Well, I could not find the relevant slide...

- Apologizes
- I'll try to say it in words ...
 - ⇒ And some related slides



LCG





CLHEP

Replacement

DBMS

Services

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+ Extension Toolkits

INFN



LCG Blueprint Software Decomposition



*Building a Common Core Software Environment for LHC Experiments





The LCG Persistency Framework

POOL is the LCG Persistency Framework

Pool of persistent objects for LHC

Started in April '02

- Common effort in which the experiments take a major share of the responsibility
 - for defining the system architecture
 - for development of POOL components
- The LCG Pool project provides a hybrid store integrating object streaming (eg Root I/O) with RDBMS technology (eg MySQL/Oracle) for consistent meta data handling
 - Strong emphasis on component decoupling and well defined communication/dependencies
 - Transparent cross-file and cross-technology object navigation via C++ smart pointers
 - Integration with Grid technology (via EDG-RLS)
 - but preserving networked and grid-decoupled working model



CMS software and LCG/POOL











- Distributed Computing is a CS well known problem since time
- Distributed data access is something quite <u>new also</u> for CS
 - Web servers or "Web services"(?)
 - HEP is facing the data distribution problem since time, and had some partial solutions, but not the solution ...until now?

The paradigm of using Computers and Networks in a coherent design is a challenge for HEP (and CS)

What's help here:

- Data mining of info in different DBs is growing in knowledge
- HEP applications are a bit simpler than other applications
 - So can drive the development
 - → Executables (jobs) are quite similar even if highly variable in time and scope
 - → Atomicity of HEP jobs is "one event" (also for many other Sciences), which facilitate the "decomposition" of the problem



LHC Data Grid Hierarchy





Emerging Vision: A Richly Structured, Global Dynamic System

The LHC Computing Grid Project LCG (2001 \rightarrow)



Collaboration

LHC Experiments

Grid projects: Europe, US

Regional & national centres

Choices

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Adopt Grid technology. Go for a "Tier" hierarchy. Use Intel CPUs in standard PCs Use LINUX operating system.

Goal

Prepare and deploy the computing environment to help the experiments analyse the data from the LHC detectors.











Transform resources into on-demand services accessible to any individual or team





- **What's Grid Computing**
 - Succesor of Web?
- ◆Is it a new paradigm of CS?
 - Yes, in the sense that try to build a new "standard": middleware
 - What's middleware?
- •When and where is born?
 - ~1998/99; Globus/Condor in USA, DataGrid in EU
 - → INFN special Project "INFN-Grid" since beginning of 2000
- •Why HEP coming Experiments are building on it?
 - It's a possible solution for some of the Computing Models components (as others, like databases, web services and tools, networks both local and wide area, information systems, authorization systems, etc.)
- •Grid has an architecture (middleware and layered models)







"Dependable, consistent, pervasive access to [high-end] resources"

→Dependable: Can provide performance and functionality guarantees

→Consistent: Uniform interfaces to a wide variety of resources

→Pervasive: Ability to "plug in" from anywhere







Grids: Next Generation Computing



On-demand creation of powerful virtual computing and data systems

Web-sites
A Unifying Concept: The Grid

the globus alliance

www.globus.org

"Resource sharing & coordinated problem solving in dynamic, multi-institutional virtual organizations"





- 1. Enable integration of distributed resources
 - 2. Using general-purpose protocols & infrastructure
 - 3. To achieve better-than-best-effort service

Forget Homogeneity!

• Trying to force homogeneity on users is futile. Everyone has their own preferences, sometimes even dogma.

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• The Internet provides the model...





DataGrid Architecture: High level Implementation

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Computing Models (Every HEP Experiment has one, but also other Applications have one!)



- Why a Computing Model?
 - Complexity requires to state it beforehand
- What's a Computing model?
 - Components, infrastructure, application software, hardware resources, organization, user interfaces and ... System Architecture

How can be built, or at least designed?

- It's a distributed effort, by definition
- Has to cope with hierarchical dependencies to control the complexity
- Has to allow for direct communications to mitigate the hierarchy (and control chaotic of user access and initiatives)
- Need formal and real agreement of cooperation among Institutes for support (fair share stated with MoUs)
 - → Need delegation of trust among the actors
- Do not forget:
 - \blacklozenge Time zones; really funny when considering a worldwide application
 - → Data Model!; data access and format is mandatory to choose an implementation

Hierarchy of Processes (Experiment, Analysis Groups, Individuals)







CMS Model: a remind (?)



- Scope and roles of the Tiers
 - TierO: Central recording and "first" treatment of data
 - Tier1s: Computing support for the CMS Collaboration and the Analysis Groups
 - Tier2s: Analysis support and specific (identified) problems task-forces
 - Tier3s: Analysis dedicated and focused issues on particular tasks
- Lower level Tiers: Local agreed activities and personal (users') tasks
- Scope and roles of the Regional Centers (RCs) in the "Grid"
- Local RCs: User Interfaces and personal DBs
 - Distributed RCs: Ad-hoc resources for particular tasks and test services
 - Dedicated RCs: Analysis-dedicated resources and common (CMS) DBs
 - Common RCs: Grid Services (both common and CMS-specific) and DBs repositories
- Dynamically de-localized commitments and resources
 - Mostly person-power- & knowledge-based on specific problems
 - ➡ Both for computing and Physics skills
 - Re-allocation of tasks within a:
 - → Virtual Organization (Grid VOs)
 - → Country Organization (e.g. INFN coordination, hierarchy of Centers)
 - → Analysis Organization (CMS coordination, hierarchy of Roles)



"Distributed" Models

















"Distributed" Models





The "dimension" of CMS Tiers: setting the requirements



The CERN T0 (Capacity available)	2006	2007	2008
CPU scheduled	693	1485	3176 kSI2K
Disk	327	322	309 Tbytes
Active tape	2367	4576	6738 Tbytes
Tape I/O	282	508	800 MB/s
Number of bi-CPU boxes	340	561	882
The Capacity available in a single T1	2006	2007	2008
CPU scheduled	97	162	290 kSI2K
CPU analysis	616	1024	1834 kSI2K
Total CPU	713	1186	2124 kSI2K
Disk	508	832	1454 Tbytes
Active tape	1072	1950	2769 Tbytes
Tape I/O	183	282	400 MB/s
Number of CPU boxes	392	492	590
The Capacity available in a single T2	2006	2007	2008
CPU scheduled	47	78	139 kSI2K
CPU analysis	59	97	174 kSI2K
Total CPU	105	175	313 kSI2K
Disk	64	105	183 Tbytes
Archive tape	133	242	345 Tbytes
Tape I/O	46	71	100 MB/s
Number of CPU boxes	58	73	87

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- **An Analysis scenario at T2**
- 1. User jobs run locally on local input sample (T2a)
- 2. Until a collaborator re-calculate new partial sample (at T2b or T1b):
 - a) User jobs are split to run locally on local partial sample and remotely on the new re-calculated data
 - b) At a certain point the user (or the system) decides that would be better to have the remote "new" part of the data locally (replication of data)
- 3. It may happen that the CPU resources of the the T2a and T2b are already committed for other tasks
 - a) User jobs can run on remote resources with "remote" data access (either a CMS T1 or T2, or even a non-CMS Tier)
- 4. The user decide to run on a larger sample (requiring also a consistent **CPU power**)
 - a) User jobs go to the T1 on which the T2 user depend (T1a) or to the T1 of the remote collaborator (T1b), or ? (don't think it can run on a non-CMS T1)

Provided that we know frequencies of jobs and data dimensions, the load on CPUs, storage and network can be derived







But avoid ... well known symptoms



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Data and Physics Challenges

Better, Experiment's Challenge

What's a "challenge" of Large Scale Computing for LHC Experiments?

Examples follow





Regional-acentices connected tecthe LCG grid

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07-May-04				
country	centre	country	centre	
Austria	UIBK	Portugal	LIP, LISDON	
Canada	TRIUMF, Vancouver	Russia	SINP, Moscow	
	Univ. Montreal	Spain	PIC, Barcelona	
	Univ. Alberta		IFIC, Valencia	
Czech Republic	CESNET, Prague		IFCA, Santander	
	University of Prague		University of Barcelona	
France	IN2P3, Lyon**		Uni. Santiago de Composte	
Germany	FZK, Karlsruhe		CIEMAT, Madrid	
	DESY		UAM, Madrid	
	University of Aachen	Switzerland	CERN	
	University of Wuppertal		CSCS, Manno**	
Greece	GRNET, Athens	Taiwan	Academia Sinica, Taipei	
Holland	NIKHEF, Amsterdam		NCU, Taipei	
Hungary	KFKI, Budapest	UK	RAL	
Israel	Tel Aviv University**		Cavendish, Cambridge	
	Weizmann Institute		Imperial, London	
Italy	CNAF, Bologna		Lancaster University	
	INFN, Torino		Manchester University	
	INFN, Milano		Sheffield University	
	INFN, Roma		QMUL, London	
	INFN, Legnaro	USA	FNAL	
Japan	ICEPP, Tokyo**		BNL**	
Poland	Cyfronet, Krakow		Centres in process of being connected	
			country centre	
** not vet in LCG-	-2		China IHEP, Beijing	

** not yet in LCG-2



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India

Pakistan

LCG, initially in Puerto Rico

TIFR, Mumbai

NCP, Islamabad Hewlett Packard to provide "Tier 2-like" services for



LCG for the 2004 Data Challenges

LCG-2 target

- the 2004 "LHC Data Challenges"
- Large-scale tests of the experiments' computing models, processing chains, grid technology readiness, operating infrastructure
- ALICE and CMS data challenges started at the beginning of March
- LHCb and ATLAS started in May
- The big challenge for this year data -
 - file catalogue,
 - replica management,
 - database access,
 - integrating mass storage





Planning for a second operations & support centre in Taipei



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CMS DC04 Data Challenge









Aim of DC04:

- reach a sustained 25Hz reconstruction rate in the Tier-0 farm (25% of the target conditions for LHC startup)
- register data and metadata to a catalogue
- transfer the reconstructed data to all Tier-1 centers
- analyze the reconstructed data at the Tier-1's as they arrive
- publicize to the community the data produced at Tier-1's
- monitor and archive of performance criteria of the ensemble of activities for debugging and post-mortem analysis

Not a CPU challenge, but a full chain demonstration!

Pre-challenge production in 2003/04

- 70M Monte Carlo events (30M with Geant-4) produced
- Classic and grid (CMS/LCG-0, LCG-1, Grid3) productions

Was a "challenge", and everytime we found a scalability limit of a component, was a <u>Success</u>!







ALICE PDC 3 schema







Alice Merging of one event in DC















Alice Data Challenge Phase 1 resource statistics:



• 27 production centres, 12 major producers, no single site dominating the



Jobs done





Statistics for phase 1 of ALICE PDC 2004

- Number of jobs:
 - Central 1 (long, 12 hours) 20 K
 - Peripheral 1 (medium 6 hours) 20 K
 - Peripheral 2 to 5 (short 1 to 3 hours) 16 K
- Number of files:
 - AliEn file catalogue: 3.8 million (no degradation in performance observed)
 - CERN Castor: 1.3 million
- File size:
 - Total: 26 TB
- CPU work:
 - Total: 285 MSI-2K hours
 - LCG: 67 MSI-2K hours





Days



Atlas "Tiers" in DC2



Country	"Tier-1"	Sites	Grid	kSl2k
Australia			NG	12
Austria			LCG	7
Canada	TRIUMF	7	LCG	331
CERN	CERN	1	LCG	700
China				30
Czech Republic			LCG	25
France	CCIN2P3	1	LCG	~ 140
Germany	GridKa	3	LCG+NG	90
Greece			LCG	10
Israel		2	LCG	23
Italy	CNAF	5	LCG	200
Japan	Tokyo	1	LCG	127
Netherlands	NIKHEF	1	LCG	75
NorduGrid	NG	30	NG	380
Poland			LCG	80
Russia			LCG	~ 70
Slovakia			LCG	
Slovenia			NG	
Spain	PIC	4	LCG	50
Switzerland			LCG	18
Taiwan	ASTW	1	LCG	78
UK	RAL	8	LCG	~ 1000
US	BNL	28	Grid3/LCG	~ 1000
Total				~ 4500



CMS 'permanent' production





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30 Mar 04 – Rates from GDB to EBs






T0 Events Per Time







- **•**In the LHC Experiments Computing Models
 - Analysis primarily! It's still missing an estimate of the Worldwide load on resources.
- In the Grid Projects
 - Services stability
 - Design and architecture (components)
- And how much time is still allowed for a "solution"?
 - Not really much!







- **Access to Data is more of a bottleneck than access to CPU**
 - Make multiple distributed copies as early as possible
- Experiment needs to be able to enact Priority Policy
 - Stream data from Raw onwards
 - ⇒ Some overlap allowed
 - Partition CPU according to experiment priorities
- Initial detailed analysis steps will be run at the T1's
 - Need access to large data samples
- **T2's have (by definition?) more limited Disk/Network than the T1's**
 - Good for final analysis, small (TB) samples
 - ➡ Make sure there is rapid access to locally replicate these
 - Perfect for Monte-Carlo Production
- •User Analysis tasks are equal in magnitude to Production tasks
 - 50% Resources for each
 - Self correcting fraction
 - → (When it gets to big strong motivation to make the user task a common production task)



Scheduled Computing



- Organized, Scheduled, Simulation and Large-Scale Event Reconstruction is a task we understand "well"
 - We can make reasonably accurate estimates of the computing required
 - We can perform simple optimizations to share the work between the large computing centers





Chaotic Computing



- Data Analysis is a "Feeding Frenzy"
 - Data is widely dispersed, may be geographically mismatched to available CPU
 - Choosing between data and job movement?
 - ➡ How/When will we have the information to motivate those choices?

Move Data to Job

- Moving only those parts of the data that the user really needs
 - All of some events, or some parts of some events?
 Very different resource requirements
- Web-Services/ Web-Caching may be the right technologies here

Move Job to Data

- Information required to describe the data requirements can (will) be complex and poorly described
 - Difficult for a resource broker to make good scheduling choices
 - Current Resource Brokers are quite primitive
- Balancing the many priorities internal to an experiment is essential
 - Completing the a-priori defined critical physics as quickly and correctly as possible
 - Enabling the collaboration to explore the full Physics richness
- Build a Flexible System, Avoid Optimizations now (2004)





Replication Agent make data available for analysis (on disk) and notify that
Fake Analysis agent:

- trigger job preparation when all files of a given file set are available
- job submission to the LCG Resource Broker



CMS Real-time DC04 analysis: Turn-around time from T0



The minimum time from T0 to T1 analysis was 10 minutes
Different problems contributed to the time spread:



- the dataset-oriented analysis made the results dependent on which dataset were sent in real time from CERN
- Tuning of the Tier-1 Replica Agent
- Replica Agent operation affected by CASTOR problem
- Analysis Agents were not always up due to debugging
- for 1 dataset Zipped Metadata were late with respect to data
- few problems with submission

N. De Filippis, A. Fanfani, F. Fanzago





CMS DC04 Real-time Analysis

□ Maximum rate of analysis jobs: 194 jobs/hour

□ Maximum rate of analysed events: 26 Hz





LCG Timescale

- Still early days for operational grids
- There are still many questions about grids & data handling
- EGEE provides LCG with opportunities -
 - to develop an operational grid in an international multi-science context
 - to influence the evolution of a generic middleware package
 - maybe leading to a general science grid infrastructure
- But the LHC clock is ticking deadlines will dictate simplicity and pragmatism
- LCG has long-term requirements

 and at present EGEE is a two-year project
- LCG must encompass non-European resources and grids
- No shortage of challenges and opportunities





The Goal is the Physics, not the Computing...

 10^{2}

Discovery Luminosity [fb⁻¹]

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• Motivation: at $L_0 = 10^{33}$ cm⁻²s⁻¹,

- ◆ 1 fill (6hrs) ~ 13 pb⁻¹
- ♦ 1 day ~ 30 pb⁻¹
- ♦ 1 month ~ 1 fb⁻¹
- ♦ 1 year ~ 10 fb⁻¹
- Most of Standard-Model Higgs can be probed within a few months
 - Ditto for SUSY
- ♦ Turn-on for detector + computing and software will be crucial



LHC 14 TeV (SM NLO Cross Sections)





- A lot still to do!
 - Quickly !!! Very quickly.
 - But also long term solutions and ideas are needed and welcomed
 - ⇒ There's a lot of room for them
 - ⇒Not only for High Energy Physics, even if it's driving the effort

- Need your help !
 - I'll not be there, but hopefully elsewhere



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