Upgrade of the CMS Event Builder

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- Current DAQ system
- Architecture of the upgrade DAQ system
- Feasibility studies on advanced networking technologies for event builder
  - Network technologies
  - CMS online software
  - Test setups
  - Preliminary measurements
- Summary
CMS Upgrade
CMS Upgrade timeline

- First beam in CMS September 10th
- First collisions in CMS November 23rd
- First 7 TeV collisions in CMS March 30th
- Magnet Test at surface
- 5 fb⁻¹ collected

Higher pileup
(depending on LHC operation 2x 10³⁴ at 25 ns or 50 ns bunch spacing)
Pileup could reach 100 underlying interactions
More data will be generated due to higher occupancy

Install Pixel 4th barrel layer and 3rd endcap layer

Upgrade of detector:
- HCAL introduces uTCA based readout system
- Trigger system will be upgraded: the new system will be first operated in parallel to the existing system. Readout will be based in uTCA.

DAQ: new optical link to readout uTCA based systems
Motivations for upgrade of CMS DAQ

• Aging of existing hardware (PCs and Networks at least 5 years old)

• Accommodate sub-detectors with upgraded off-detector electronics
  • HCAL upgrade front-end electronics and readout system
  • New Pixel detector with 4 barrel layers and 3 endcap layers (LS1.5), estimated requirements: ~80 readout channels with 640MB/s
  • Trigger system will be upgraded: the new system will be first operated in parallel to the existing system.
Current CMS Data Acquisition System
Current DAQ system

- Read out 700 detector front-ends (fragment size ~2 kB)
- Build complete events at 100 kHz (L1 trigger rate)
- Make them available to a filter farm of O(13000) cores
- Store 100’s of Hz to disk (10’s of TB/day)
- Scalable system employing commercial components wherever possible
  - Proprietary / Commercial: Front-Ends, VME, PCI, PC servers, networks, Protocols, OS
Current DAQ system (II)

Eight RU builders (EVB DAQ slices):
Assemble super-fragments (~16 kB) into full events (~1 MB) at 12.5 kHz each

72 FED builders:
assemble FED (~2 kB) into super-fragment (~16 kB)
Current DAQ system (III)

- Full readout of all sub-detectors at L1 rate
- SLINK64 operates on 400 MB/s
- Fed builder operates on ~200-350 MB/s, depending on event size distribution
- 8 DAQ Slices, 100 GB/s event builder

Event Filter
- ~1300 dual-CPU (multi-core) PC nodes, 13 k-cores, 220 kHEPSpec06
- running about ~20 k HLT processes, CPU budget is ~175 ms/evt @100 kHz.

Storage Manager
- Event data to disk
  - pp: ~200 MB/s, design for 600 MB/s
  - Heavy Ions: ~1.4 GB/s (up to 2.8 GB/s w/o transfer)
Upgrade of CMS Data Acquisition System for long shutdown 1
Upgrade of DAQ system

Requirements

- L1 rate of 100 KHz
- Detector Front End Drivers (FED)
  - ~552 Legacy FEDs (fragment size increases from 2 kB to 4 kB due to pile-up)
  - 37 (TRG, HCAL, HF) + 40 (Pixel - 2 x 10 GbE links) new readout links from new FEDs (expected maximal fragment size 8kB)
- Frontend Readout Links (FRLs)
  - ~360 FRLs (Legacy FEDs, ~400 MB/s)
  - ~120 FRLs (new FEDs, ~640 MB/s)
- High availability (redundancy, load balancing, failover, etc.)

DAQ plans for upgrade

- Replace myrinet-based fedbuilder
- Replace event builder network
  - two options: conservative (10 GbE) and aggressive (40 GbE or Infiniband)
- New architecture between Event Builder and Filter Farm
- Replace of the Storage manager hardware
Read out link

- New readout system must be compatible with old data sources (FEDs – SLINK) and with the newly designed FEDs.

Build a new PCI card for the existing FRL
- Will implement new 10GB link to the RU
- Will be able to receive data via a fiber from newly built uTCA FEDs
- Pros: Small change wrt existing system. Rely on stable existing hardware
- Cons: bottle neck of internal PCI bus (520MB/s per FRL if reads SLINK)
New Data to surface (D2S)

- Moving from myrinet 2x 2Gb/s to 10 Gb Ethernet
- Point to point protocol used between FRL and RU
- Concentrate FRLs sources in USC switch or/and RU
Event builder network: conservative option

- **Sources (in total 480)**
  - At 100 kHz 2 to 4 KB fragments (legacy FEDs)
  - At 100 kHz 4 to 8 KB fragments (new FEDs)
- **Input NIC** 2 - 10 GbE ports
  - Required throughput per link 100 kHz, 2 to 4 kB per fragment
- **PC concentrates by factor 2 for legacy FEDs**
  - 360 FRLs → 180 RUs
- **Output NIC** – 10 GbE port
  - Required throughput per link 100 kHz, 4 to 8 kB
- **EVB configuration**
  - 300 RU PCs
  - 300 x 300 switch 10 GbE
Event builder network: aggressive option

- **Sources (in total 480)**
  - At 100 kHz 2 to 4 KB fragments (legacy FEDs)
  - At 100 kHz 4 to 8 KB fragments (new FEDs)

- **Front Switch**
  - Concentrate by factor of 2 for legacy FEDs

- **Input NIC 4 – 10 GbE ports**
  - Required throughput per link 200 kHz, 2 to 4 kB
  - Required throughput per link 100 kHz, 4 to 8 kB

- **PC concentrates by factor 4**

- **Output NIC – 40 GbE/ Infiniband port**
  - Required throughput per link 100 kHz, 16 to 32 kB

- **EVB configuration**
  - 75 RU PCs
  - 75 x 75 switch 40 GbE / Infiniband

- ~360 FRLs (legacy FEDs, ~400 MB/s)
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New Builder Units, Filter Unites and Storage Managers configuration

- **Builder Units/Filter Units**
  - Add 10 GbE switch to connect BUs to Fus
  - 2 links 10 GbE from BU and 1 link 10 GbE for each FU

- **Storage Managers**
  - 1 link 10 GbE from BU-FU switch to SM switch
  - 3 links 10 GbE for each Storage Manager
Feasibility studies on advanced networking technologies for event builder
Feasibility studies on advanced networking technologies

Our feasibility studies are focused in two network technologies:

- **Ethernet**
  - 10/40 Gigabit Ethernet (different vendors)
  - iWARP (RDMA) – TCP/IP full offload (Chelsio T4 Unified Wire Adapters)
  - performance measurements using TCP/IP and DAPL (Direct Access Programming Library - OpenFabrics)

- **Infiniband**
  - 4x quad data rate (QDR)
    - 40 Gb/s - 8B/10B encoding - 32 Gb/s data rate
  - 4x fourteen data rate (FDR)
    - 56 Gb/s – 64B/66B encoding – 54.54 Gb/s data rate
  - performance measurements using DAPL (Direct Access Programming Library - OpenFabrics) and IPoIB (IP over InfiniBand)
The OFED Stack (source: OpenFabrics Alliance)

A unified, cross-platform, transport-independent software stack for RDMA and kernel bypass

- [http://www.openfabrics.org/](http://www.openfabrics.org/)
DAT Model (source DAT Collaborative)

- Developed by DAT collaborative
  - [http://www.datcollaborative.org/](http://www.datcollaborative.org/)
- Transport and platform (OS) independent
- Define user (uDAPL) and kernel (kDAPL) APIs
- DAT supports reliable connection
- Data Transfer Operations send, receive, rdma_read, rdma_write
- uDAPL Version 2.x, January, 2007
Comparison of the Stacks (Infiniband vs TCP/IP)

- The protocol is defined as a very thin set of zero copy functions when compared to thicker protocol implementations such as TCP/IP
CMS online software for data acquisition system
CMS online software

The CMS online application are based on XDAQ framework.

What is the XDAQ framework?

- XDAQ is a software platform designed specifically for the development of distributed data acquisition systems.
- XDAQ is the definitive across the board middleware that eases the tasks of designing, programming and managing data acquisition applications by providing a simple, consistent and integrated distributed programming environment.
- The framework builds upon industrial standards, open protocols and libraries.
Architecture Foundation

- **Uniform building block**
  One or more executives per computer contain application and service components

![Diagram showing Architecture Foundation with components such as Executive, XML, Configuration, HTTP, SOAP, Application Components, Service Plug-ins, Devices, I2O/B2IN, and Custom device access.](attachment:image.png)
Architecture Foundation (II)

Peer-Transport a pluggable layer of various networking medium

- The XDAQ framework provides peers with a mechanism for determine a route to an endpoint, allowing the peer to send data to the remote endpoint
- Peer transports are the entity responsible for conducting the actual exchange of information over a network
- Peer transport encapsulate a set of network interfaces, allowing a peer to send and receiver data independently of the type of network being employed

pluggable Peer-Transport:
- SOAP/HTML: HTTP
- \( I_2O \): TCP, Myrinet, FIFO, etc.

Application code does not change when moving from Ethernet to Myrinet or Infiniband
Pluggable Peer-Transport for DAT library

- ptuDAPL is a new peer-transport for DAT library (Infiniband and iWarp) using I$_2$O messaging
  - Use of smart memory pool based on uDAPL memory region allocator (random access to memory with no intermediate management by using cookies)
  - Profiting for inherent non blocking and queuing of uDAPL API for minimizing latency
  - All I/O operations centered on dedicated uDAPL memory pool (full zero-copy between XDAQ applications and DAPL driver)
  - Based on DAT Spec 2.x
Test setups
## Test setups

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Preliminary Measurements
Roundtrip

- Simple XDAQ application to compute the One-way delay
- Time packet to travel from a specific source to a specific destination and back again
- One-way latency is measured by timing a round-trip message and dividing the obtained result by two
Latency measurements for ptuDAPL with Infiniband and iWarp

- 8.87 us for 32 Bytes
- 6.33 us for 32 Bytes

only ~ 1 us added by XDAQ framework

- Infiniband - Qlogic - QDR 4x
- Ethernet - Chelsio - 10GeB - iWarp

Fragment Size (Bytes)

Latency (us)
Stream I/O

- Unidirectional throughput is measured using a unidirectional send of N messages. Time sampling is done at the receiver side and starts with the first incoming message.
Stream I/O (TCP/IP vs uDAPL) – Chelsio T4 – 10 GbE

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Drop at 4352 bytes

Throughput per node (MB/s) vs Fragment Size (Bytes)
Multi-Stream I/O

- Unidirectional throughput (bandwidth) is measured using a unidirectional send of N messages to N receivers. Time sampling is done at the receivers side and starts with the first incoming message.
Multi-stream I/O 1 to 4 (TCP/IP vs uDAPL) – Chelsio T4 – 10 GbE

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Event Builder

- CMS RU-builder
  - Currently used in CMS DAQ for data taking

RU-builder protocol – Token passing

1: I have \( n \) free resources
2: Broadcast identifier association
3: Trigger information for events \( id_1, id_2, \ldots, id_n \)
4: Send me fragments for events \( id_1, id_2, \ldots, id_n \)
5: Superfragment data
6: Allocate events to Filter Units
7: Discard events
8: Release \( n \) identifiers

Event building traffic
Event builder 1+7x8 vs Multi-stream 1x8 (TCP/IP - 10GbE)

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Target: 800

- 1 EVM +7 RUs x 8 BUs - TCP-IP-10GbE
- Multi-StreamI/O - 1x8 - TCP-IP-10GbE
Event builder 1x7x8 vs 100 KHz (TCP/IP - 10GbE)

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- 1 EVM +7 RUs x 8 BUs - TCP-IP-10GbE
- Multi-StreamI/O - 1x8 - TCP-IP-10GbE
- ~100 KHz rate
Event builder 1x7x8 vs current event builder (TCP/IP - 10GbE)

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- **1 EVM + 7 RUs x 8 BUs - TCP-IP-10GbE**
- **Multi-StreamI/O - 1x8 - TCP-IP-10GbE**
- **1 EVM + ~65RUs x ~80 BUs - TCP-IP- 3x1GbE**
- **100 KHz rate**

Throughput per node (MB/s) vs Fragment Size (Bytes)
Infiniband Measurements
MStream 1x4 uDAPL - IB vs TCP/IP - IPoIB

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Throughput per node (MB/s) vs Fragment Size (Bytes)

- MStream 1x4 - uDAPL - IB 4x QDR
- MStream 1x4 - TCP/IB - 4x QDR
Event builder 1+3x3 uDAPL - IB vs TCP/IP - IPoIB

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Throughput per node (MB/s)

Fragment Size (Bytes)
Summary

- New readout system must be compatible with old data sources and new data sources
- New DAQ column architecture replaces aging existing hardware and improves readout performance
- Feasibility studies on advanced networking technologies for event builder
  - Different network technologies under investigation
  - Possibly Quality of Service will give high throughput and scalability
Thank you for your attention!
Backup
Architecture Foundation (II)

- Replicated building blocks

Scalable cluster system architecture
Software Distribution

- Core tools
- Power pack
- Work suite

Core framework
Reusable applications
CMS specific applications
Layered View

Online Software

- Worksuite
  - Event Builders
  - Front-end Controllers
  - External System Interfaces
  - Detector Specific Applications

- Powerpack
  - Data Monitoring
  - Error and Alarming
  - Job Control
  - User Interfaces

- Coretools
  - OS Abstraction
  - Executive Framework
  - Hardware Access
  - Communication Subsystems

Platforms

- Operating Systems
- Networking Infrastructures
- Hardware Device Interfaces

Configuration Management Support
Timeline

2012
Successfully used in the first three years of LHC

2008
Commissioning and first beam event successfully achieved
XMAS – monitoring, orthogonal to applications

2006

2004
XDAQ 3 – experiment wide adoption

2002
XDAQ 2 – Web enters DAQ (SOAP)

2000
First version of XDAQ - I₂O communication kernel

Well consolidated after twelve years of development and use
Outlook

- Integrated web technologies
- Monitoring
- Errors and Alarms
- Reusable Event Builder