

SL6 Migration

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SL6 migration timeline

- After the 1st of June sites were encouraged to upgrade
 - Progress slowed down by some problems still existing after the 1st of June
- Bulk of resources by 31st of October 2013
 - Less than 3&1/2 months now to move



Sites situation

- T1s Done: 7/15 (Alice 4/9, Atlas 5/12, CMS 3/9, LHCb 4/8)
- T1s not Done: 8/15 (1 without a plan, 4 with a plan, 3 in progress)
 - 7/8 (1/1) are atlas T1s
- T2s Done: 32/129 (Alice 7/39, Atlas 15/89, CMS 18/65, LHCb 8/45)
- T2s not Done: 97/129 (40 without a plan, 45 with a plan, 12 in progress)
 - 74/97 (35/40) are atlas T2s



EMI-2/EMI-3

- EMI-2:
 - rpm & tarball: no problem
- EMI-3:
 - 8 sites testing (see EMI-3 testing)
 - 3 are online in prod, 1 in analysis
 - So far 3 problems with new voms-proxy-info
 - 2 solved in the current production version (3.0.3)
 - 1 solved in the test version
 - Only sites setting mem limits affected
 - Should be released in one or two weeks
 - **SOLVED**



Releases Validation

- The new method has been in use for a month now
 - It tags the PandaResources not the batch queues
 - It runs as a pilot (no WMS anymore)
 - sgm accounts still needed to edit local setup on NFS
 - Cvmfs solution to remove NFS requirement being tested
 - There was a problem for few days with DDM
 - Too many datasets frozen async too quickly
 - Validation jobs now freeze datasets
 - SOLVED



Which releases?

- All SL5 pre-compiled executables work on SL6
- Not all releases compile on SL6
 - **CMTUSERCONTEXT** is now set by the system
 - This allows all releases to compile on SL6 in **MOST** cases
 - It doesn't work yet when Tools/PyUtils/bin/setupWorkArea.py
 - RPMCompactSLC6 list of releases that work in this case
 - Wider solution that works for all releases in test
 - **MOSTLY SOLVED**
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- 17.7.0, 1st SL6 native build, so far the only one
 - Other native build releases will follow
 - SL6 native builds do not run on SL5 sites.



Conflicting libraries

- There was a conflict between libstdc++ in SL5 gcc from the sw area, and SL6 libvoms needed by the LFC client called at user application level.
 - The LFC lookup moved at pilot level isolate the library calls and avoids the problem.
 - Pilot has been modified and is now in production
 - SOLVED



SL6 open() & CVMFS

- Bug affecting the evgen tasks using LHAPDF in all the releases.
 - An open() call on SL6 kernel returns different flag than expected.
 - ~~Required CVMFS rw mount flags~~
 - RH released a kernel restoring open() call to its original behaviour
 - Install kernel-2.6.32-358.11.1.el6 onward
 - **SOLVED**



UI@T3

- To configure Atlas @T3
 - AtlasRootLocalBase scripts to setup the correct environment
 - Works from cvmfs
 - It is recommended to install cvmfs rather than atlas code
- Lxplus is now setup to make it transparent for users
 - Consult the WorkBook
 - SOLVED



User Code problems

- Users have to adapt their setup. Some tips:
 - Ensure CXXFLAGS is set correctly for SL6
 - Use the latest RootCore (00-01-80)
 - Check the RootCore twiki
 - Use alternatives to `--athenaTag` (`--rootVer` and `--cmtConfig`)
- Users should contact Analysis Help list rather than sites.
 - hn-atlas-dist-analysis-help@cern.ch



Links

- SLC6Readiness
 - Problems and solutions
 - AGIS queues reorganisation
- SL6migration procedures
- SL6 sites deployment
- SL6 EMI-3 deployment
- RootCore
- WorkBook
- RPMCompatSLC6
- AtlasLocalRootBase
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Conclusions

- Show stoppers have been solved.
- More releases with native builds will be released
- Users should adapt their code
- There are now 3.5 months to move the bulk of resources.
 - 74 T2 to move of which 35 don't have a plan
- Sites should start moving to SL6.
 - EMI-2 is safe
 - EMI-3 testing is promising



BACKUP SLIDES (REPEATING DOES GOOD)



HEPOS_libs

- HEPOS_libs is currently available and documented
 - See SL6 Dependency RPM
 - Contains dependencies needed by Atlas
- It has been tested by a number of sites
 - On SL6 and CentOS
- If any problem:
 - Contact: Andrea Valassi/Fabrizio Furano
 - There's no GGUS support for this



WLCG Repository

- WLCG repository for extra experiments software was deemed necessary
 - <http://linuxsoft.cern.ch/wlcg/>
 - Find yum repo config in it
 - HEPOS_libs is now placed there
 - SL5/SL6 versions
 - Other rpms produced or requested by experiments are also there



Atlas procedures

- ATLAS can not run on a mixed SL6/SL5 WNs cluster transparently.
 - No SL5/SL6 WNs behind the same queue
 - No SL5/SL6 CEs behind the same panda queue
- Big Bang transition to SL6:
 - Sites go in DT and come back as SL6 site
 - Easier to handle for Atlas in particular if the sites have very little local support.
- Rolling transition to SL6:
 - Sites that don't want to go in downtime and have good local support should do this
 - Allows to catch problems in a less painful way



AGIS Queues

- Current relation for each Site
 - PandaResources \rightarrow PandaQueues \rightarrow CE/queues
 - $1 \rightarrow N \rightarrow N$
 - PandaResource \rightarrow PandaQueue \rightarrow CE/queues
 - $1 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow N$
 - Aim is to merge PandaResource with PandaQueue eventually
 - HC test and new SW installation use PandaResource
- Upgrade to SL6 is a good time to re-organise queues in AGIS.

