

# Software Components, Tools and Databases

- 36(+1-1) talks + 72 posters
  - Databases, Data, Metadata
  - Python
  - Multicore, Parallelization
  - Frameworks
  - Monitoring
  - Development Environment
  - Virtualization
  - Performance
  - Simulation



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- Heterogeneity
- Overlaps with other tracks
- Subparallel sessions on Thursday



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# Databases

- Web Service
  - Standard tools or home-grown
  - API and Web pages
- Distribution, Oracle Streams
- Proxies and caches, Frontier
- Client-Server
- Oracle “by design”, SQLite
- Conditions databases

# Conditions Databases



CMS offline conditions database software



Z. Xie (Princeton University)  
G. Govi(Northeastern University)  
V. Innocente(CERN PH-SFT)

For the CMS collaboration

21-27 March 2009

CHEP'09 Prague, Czech Republic

Pilot query, Frontier

The JANA Calibrations and Conditions Database API

March 23, 2009

David Lawrence JLab



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JANA Calibration API David Lawrence -- JLab



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## The TileCal Web Systems for Data Quality Analyses

Authors: **Fernando Ferreira**  
Carmen Maidantchik  
Andressa Sivolella  
Felipe Grael  
Kaio Karam

### Advanced Technologies for Scalable ATLAS Conditions Database Access on the Grid

for ATLAS Tile Calorimeter Community

Federal University of Rio de Janeiro - UFRJ



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Ajax, XSLT and SVG  
Displaying ATLAS conditions data  
with new web technologies

Shaun Roe

### A RESTful Web Service Interface to the ATLAS COOL Database

Shaun Roe



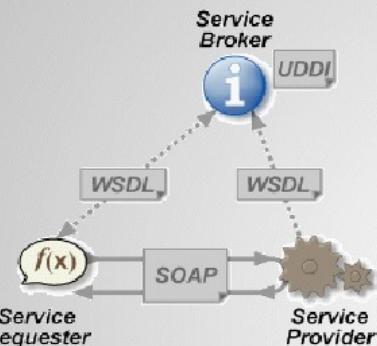
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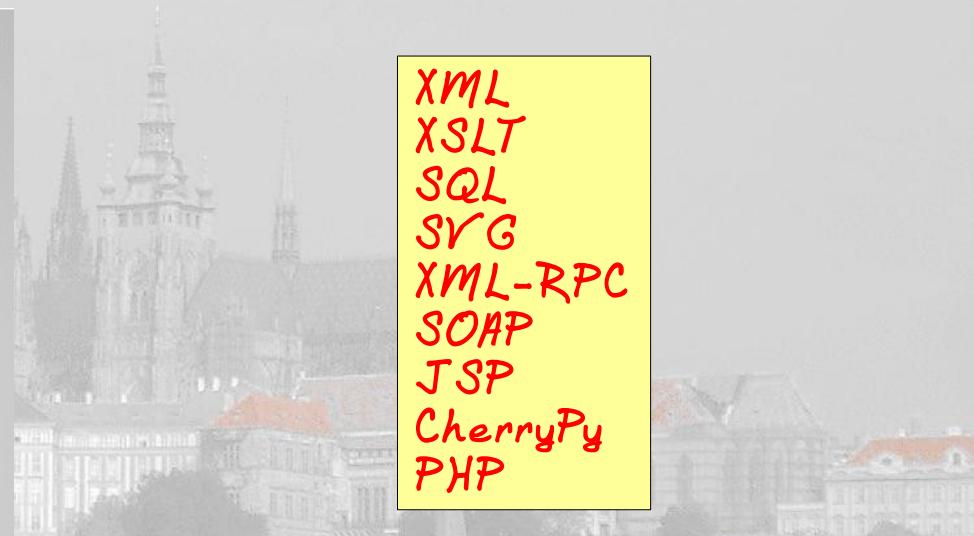
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# Web Service (1)

# Calibration Web Service

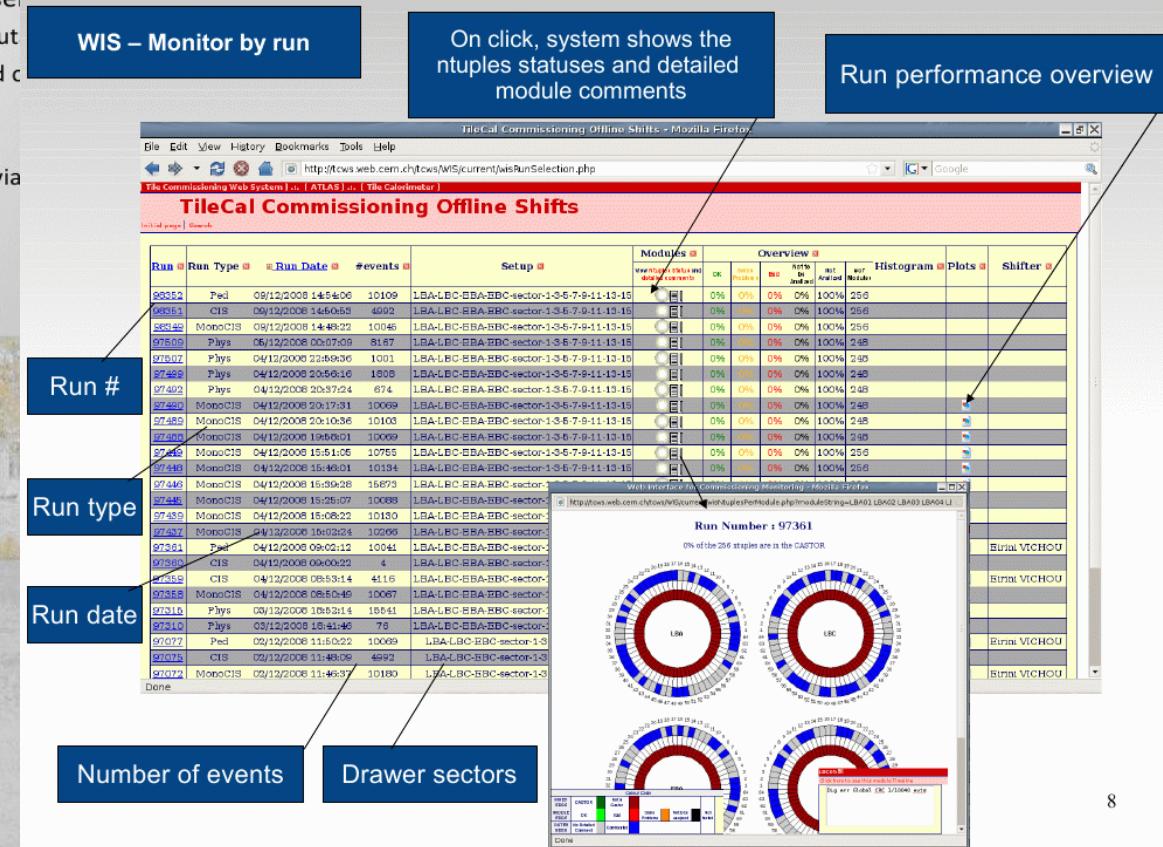
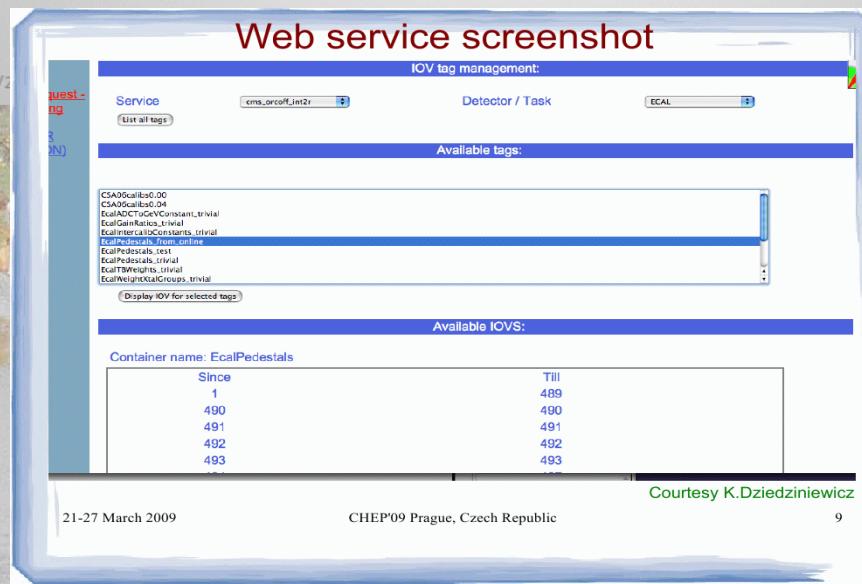


- Calibration constants will need to be accessible from remote computers via the internet
  - Direct access to a database is problematic due to cybersecurity concerns
  - Web services work over HTTP and so are the appropriate mechanism for remote access

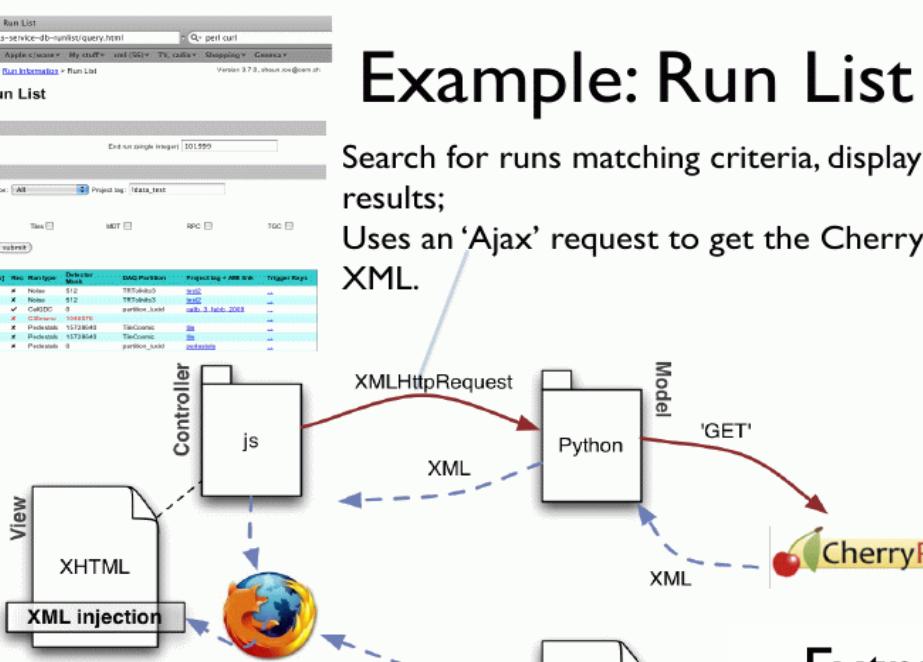


**XML**  
**XSLT**  
**SQL**  
**SVG**  
**XML-RPC**  
**SOAP**  
**JSP**  
**CherryPy**  
**PHP**

- The *JCalibrationWS* class provides calibration constants through a web service
    - Implemented as a plugin so remote access can be added to an existing executable
    - Allows read-only access to calibration constants from anywhere in the world via a URL (<http://www.jlab.org/Hall-D/cgi-bin/calib>)
    - Uses gSOAP, a C++ SOAP implementation
    - Currently works like a proxy for *JCalibrationFile* on server side, but could trivially be modified to use another type of backend

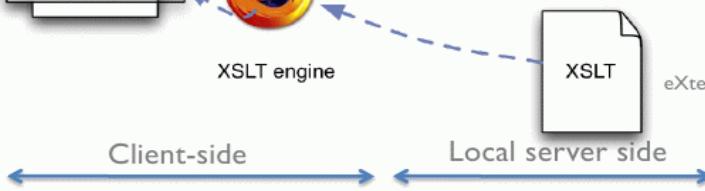


# Web Service (2)



XML is inserted directly in the XHTML page, and associated with an XSLT stylesheet to format it as a table

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A RESTful Web Service... (Shaun Roe, Atlas)

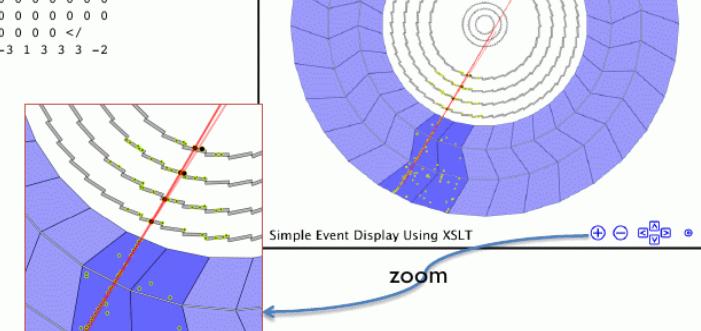


Search for runs matching criteria, display results;

Uses an 'Ajax' request to get the CherryPy XML.

# Extreme SVG

liveXML



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# LCG Database Products

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POOL/CORAL/COOL over Root/Oracle/SQLite

## LCG Persistence Framework

*CORAL, POOL, COOL – Status and Outlook*

A. Valassi, R. Basset, R. Chytracek, D. Duellmann, A. Kalkhof

I. Papadopoulos, W. Pokorski, Z. Molnar (CERN IT-DM)

M. Nowak (BNL / Atlas)

S. A. Schmidt, M. Wache (University of Mainz / Atlas)

D. Dykstra (FNAL / CMS)

G. Govi (Northeastern University / CMS)

Z. Xie (Princeton University / CMS)

M. Clemencic, M. Frank (CERN PH / LHCb)

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## CORAL Server

*A middle tier for accessing relational database servers from CORAL applications*

A. Valassi, A. Kalkhof, D. Duellmann, Z. Molnar (CERN IT-DM)

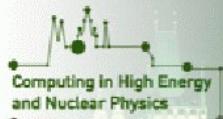
M. Wache (University of Mainz / Atlas)

A. Salnikov, R. Bartoldus (SLAC / Atlas)

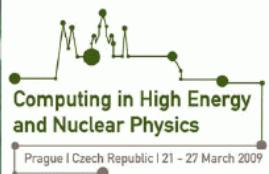
*CHEP2009 (Prague), 23rd March 2009*

Custom protocol – RPC over Python/C++

Oracle Streams, Frontier/Squid/RAC  
Only 3.5 hours service unavailability in 2008



# Metadata



## An Integrated Overview of Metadata in ATLAS



Elizabeth Gallas,

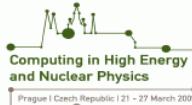
Solveig Albrand, Richard Hawkins, David Malon, Eric Torrence  
on behalf of the ATLAS Collaboration

at the

CHEP 2009 Conference  
Prague, Czech Republic  
March 23, 2009



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## Event Selection Services in ATLAS

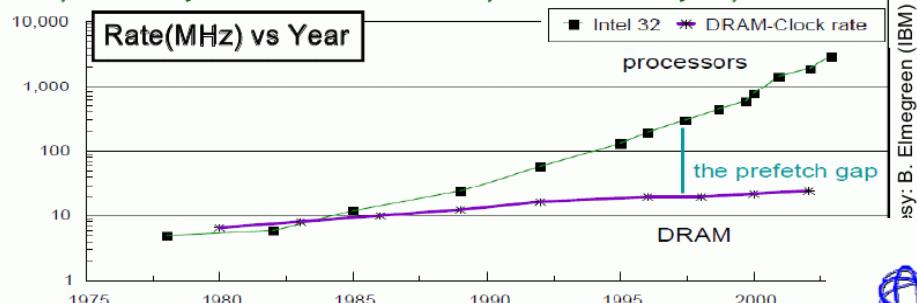


Jack Cranshaw  
Argonne National Laboratory  
for the ATLAS TAG Development Team

# Metadata

## Getting Conditions data to CPU intensive tasks

- Storage capacity and processing speed per unit cost have increased exponentially while DRAM access speed has hardly improved



- "The prefetch gap" == performance gap between CPU speed & access latency: continues to widen

ATLAS uses Metadata to find the data needed by a  
to help bridge the gap to facilitate computing intensive  
(calibration, alignment, processing, reprocessing, ana-

23-Mar-2009

Elizabeth Gallas -Oxford ATLAS @ LHC



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## ELSSI Tour: Perform Query

Your query is : `(NJet>3) and triggers(EF_J120 = 1 or EF_J62 = 1)`

Events selected (total count = 1):

STEAM_NAME	count(*)
fdr08_run2_physics_Jet_o3_f48_m27	1051

RunNumbers with their LumiblockN's where the selected trigger(s) (EF\_J62, EF\_J120) is(are) active (total count = 36):

Stream_name	RunNumber	LumiblockN	Subtotal
fdr08_run2_physics_Jct_o3_f48_m27	52300	1~6,8,10,12~14,16~17,19~23,25~26,30~36,39~47	36

Select attributes (use Ctrl to select multiple attributes then Confirm)

NJet,LooseElectronPt1

Of the total of 1051 events that satisfied your cuts, only the top 1000 rows will be retrieved for display and purposes.

1-D histogram(s)

Advanced histograms

Results in table

LOOSEELECTRONPT1

NJET

Web Service

Jack Cranshaw: ATLAS Computing

# Other Databases

## The HADES Oracle database and its interfaces for experimentalists



Ilse Koenig, GSI Darmstadt  
for the HADES collaboration



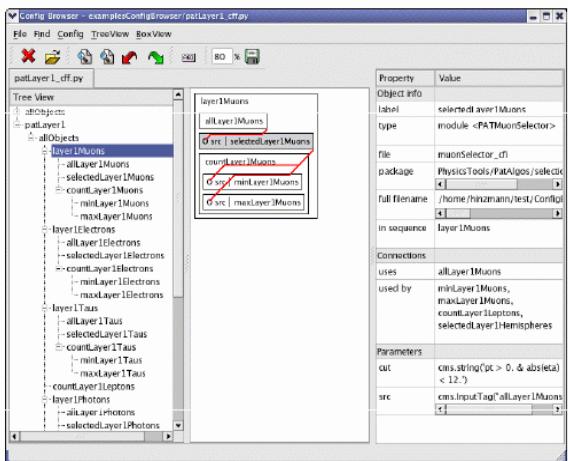
High availability  
Oracle DataGuard

A lightweight high availability strategy for Atlas LCG File Catalogs

Daniela Anzellotti  
Alessandro De Salvo  
Barbara Martelli  
Lorenzo Rinaldi

# Python

## Visualization of the CMS Python Configuration System



**Andreas Hinzmann, O. Actis, M. Erdmann, R. Fischer,  
T. Klimkovich, G. Müller, J. Steggemann (RWTH Aachen University),  
B. Hegner (CERN)**

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Andreas Hinzmann



## Usage of the Python Programming Language in the CMS Experiment

Rick Wilkinson (Caltech), Benedikt Hegner (CERN)  
On behalf of CMS Offline & Computing

## User-friendly Parallelization of GAUDI Applications with Python

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Pere Mato (CERN), Eoin Smith (CERN)

# Python

## About Using Python

- No top-down decision to use it
  - Groups decided to use it on their own
  - Probably influenced by what others are doing
- Why people say they use Python
  - Easy to learn
  - Easy to understand syntax
  - Good for rapid prototyping
  - Lots of standard tools
  - Lots of useful external tools
    - cherrypy, PyRoot, PyQt
  - Can do their scripting and their programming in one step

# Multicore, Parallelization

Plenary

Harnessing multicores:  
strategies and implementations in ATLAS

Sébastien Binet,  
Paolo Calafiura, Scott Snyder,  
Werner Wiedenmann, Frank Winklmeier

24-03-2009 CHEP09



The challenge of adapting HEP physics  
software applications to run  
on many-core cpus

CHEP, March '09

Vincenzo Innocente  
CERN

High Performance Computing  
for High Energy Physics

March 25, 2009

V.I. -- MultiCore R&D

User-friendly Parallelization of  
GAUDI Applications with Python

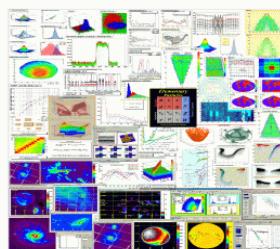
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# Frameworks (1)

## Global Overview of the Current ROOT System

*CHEP09* : Prague, 24 March 2009

René Brun/ CERN  
for the ROOT team



Rene Brun

Global Overview of ROOT system



CHEP2009 - Prague, March 24, 2009

## Recent Developments in the Gaudi Software Framework

Marco Clemencic

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## Fit Panel

Root

David Gonzalez Maline  
Lorenzo Moneta  
Ilka Antcheva  
CERN, PH SFT Group

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XML configuration  
CLI and API

## Hierarchy Software Development Framework (h-dp-fwk) Project

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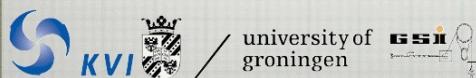
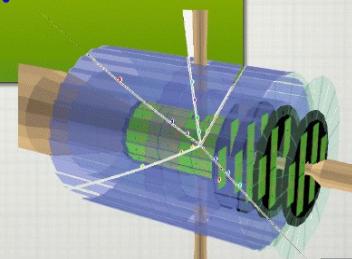
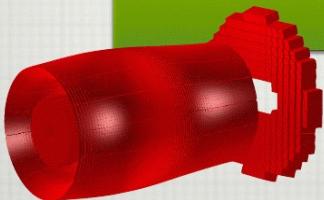
Budker Institute of Nuclear Physics (BINP)  
Novosibirsk, Russia

# Frameworks (2)



PandaRoot based on FairRoot  
PandaGrid based on AliEn

## Computing Activities for the **panda** Experiment at FAIR



JOHAN MESSCHENDORP  
FOR THE PANDA COLLABORATION

PLACEHOLDER  
FOR  
COUNTDOWN



## The ALICE Offline Environment - Status and Perspectives

Federico Carminati

on behalf of the ALICE Core Offline Team

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AliRoot, Proof, AliEVE

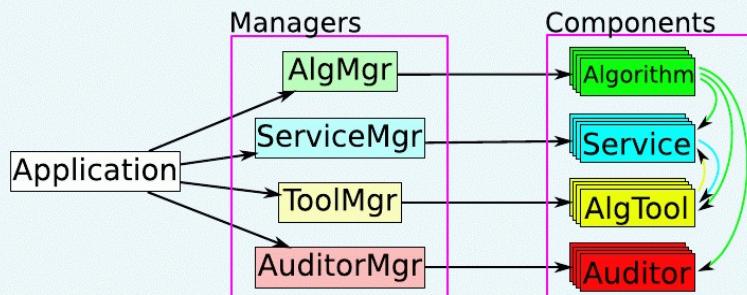


# Gaudi



## Finalization order of services cont.

- ▶ Adding the concept of *managers*



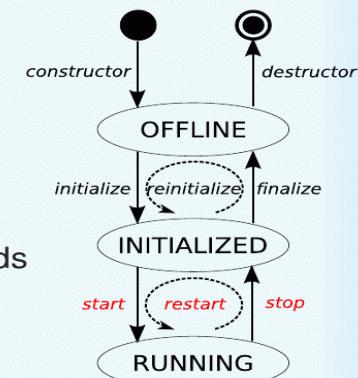
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Stability x Evolution



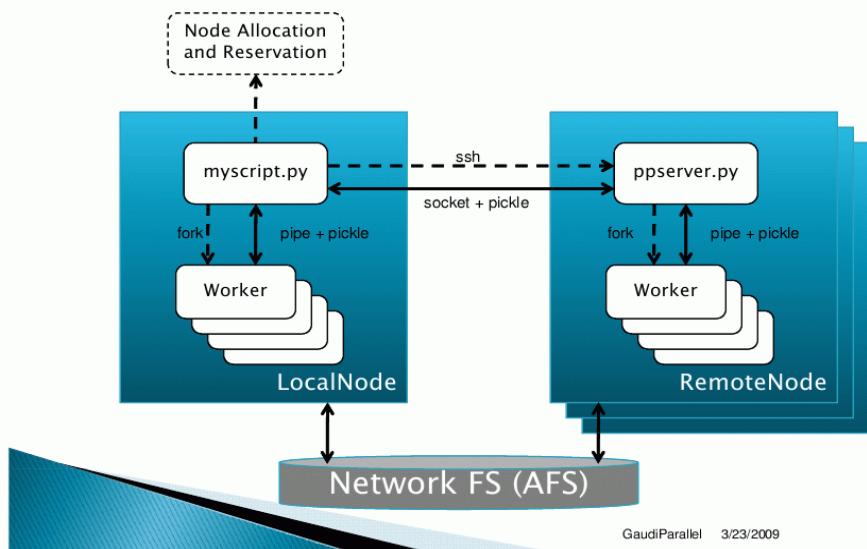
## New state machine implementation cont.

- ▶ New transition added to accommodate the separation between server and client start up
- ▶ To be reviewed
  - ▶ another transition
  - ▶ redefine the re\* methods



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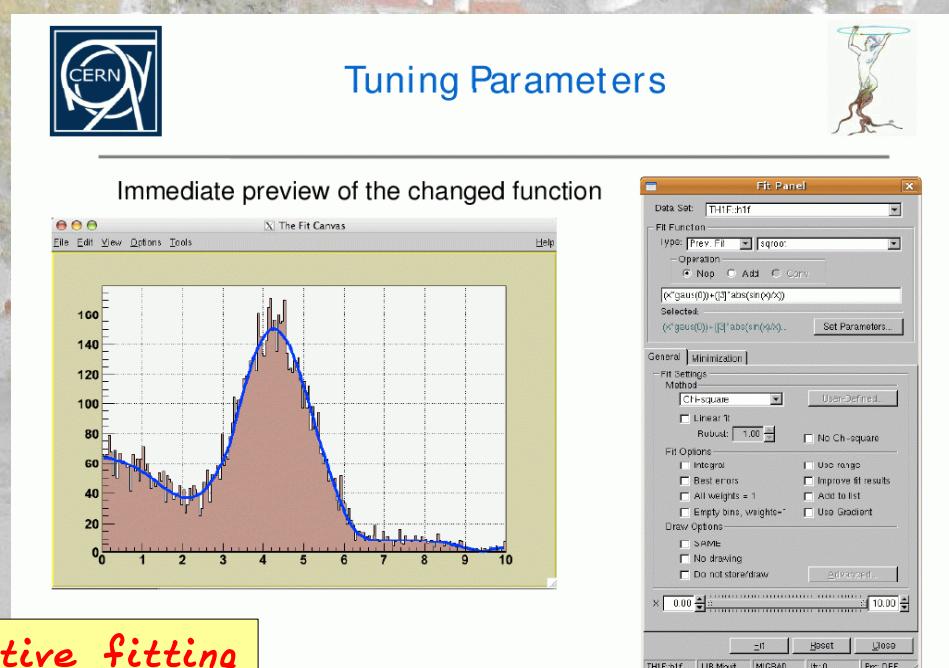
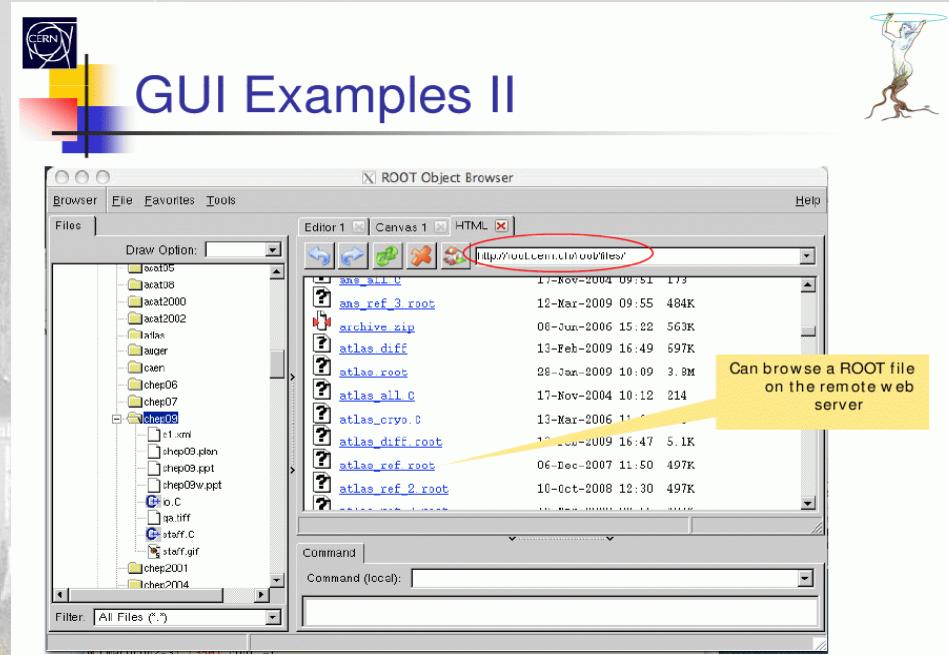
## Parallelization on a Cluster



# Root

- Consolidation, stable manpower
- New Web pages and documentation
- Surprising messages about technologies used elsewhere:
  - “XML files are basically useless”
  - “QT interfaces: a big pain”
- BOOT seems to be dead

More Root talks in other tracks



# Root

# LLVM-based C++ Interpreter For ROOT

Axel Naumann, CERN

Lukasz Janyst, CERN

Philippe Canal, Fermilab

LLVM - competition for GCC, written in C++  
JustInTime compiler for C++ (+...)  
for C++: production quality expected in 2011  
for Root dialect of C++: many additional challenges

## The Challenges

As compiler, LLVM expects all code to be available. cling on the other hand:

1. must allow iterative loading
  2. must keep stack
  3. must support unloading

Unthinkable for compilers.

**Solution:** need to modify AST, re-link, track dependencies,...

```
cling[0] .L func0.C
cling[1] func0();
cling[2] .U func0.C
cling[3] int func0 = 0;
```

# Monitoring



## Monitoring the CDF analysis farm (CAF)

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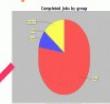
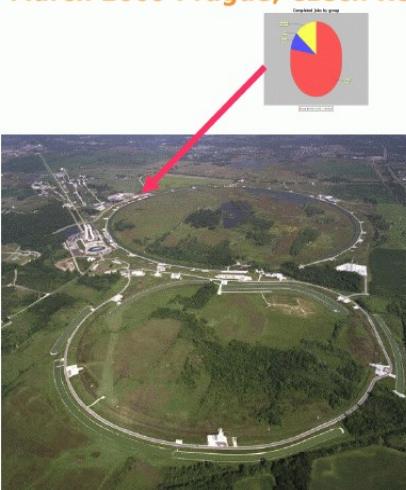
Marian Zvada

Hans Wenzel,  
Federica Moscato



Fermilab

March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009



Web Service

ATLAS Data Quality Offline Monitoring

Peter Onyisi

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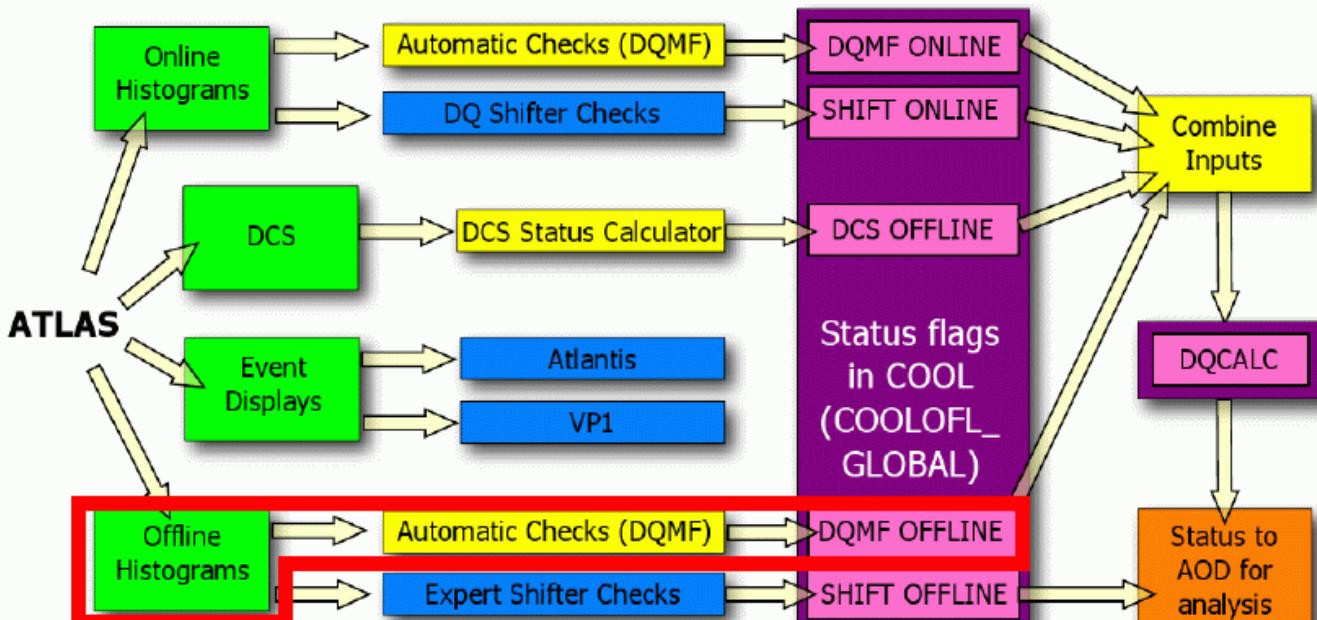
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ATLAS Data Quality Offline Monitoring

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# Monitoring

## Data Quality Monitoring Tools



Covering one component of the full architecture here...



# Development Environment (1)



SCRAM (improved), RPM, apt-get, PKGTOOLS, CMSDIST  
rebuids also external packages

## Software Integration and Development Tools in CMS

David J Lange  
Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

Representing the CMS collaboration

March 21, 2009



## The ATLAS RunTimeTester Software

Krzysztof Ciba,  
Alexander Richards,  
Peter Sherwood,  
**Brinick Simmons**

CHEP 2009, Prague  
Software Components session



Python  
XML test configuration  
Web Service

SIT

## Software Validation Infrastructure for the ATLAS Trigger

Wolfgang Ehrenfeld – DESY

On behalf of the ATLAS Trigger Validation Group

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NICOS - NIghtly COntrol System  
ATN - AT Night Testing  
RTT - Run Time Tester

# Development Environment (2)

Servicing HEP experiments with a complete set of ready integrated and configured common software components

Stefan Roiser<sup>1</sup>, Ana Gaspar<sup>1</sup>, Yves Perrin<sup>1</sup>, Karol Kruzelzki<sup>2</sup>  
CERN PH/SFT<sup>1</sup> & CERN PH/LBC<sup>2</sup>



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## Organization, Management, and Documentation of ATLAS Offline Software Releases



Presented by Frederick Luehring

Indiana University

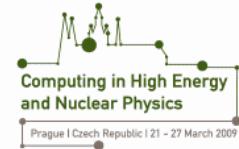
On Behalf of the ATLAS Software Infrastructure Team (SIT)

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# Development Environment

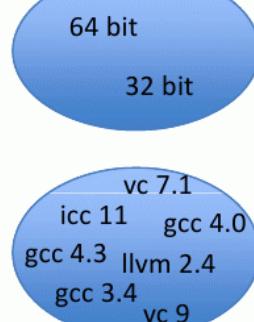
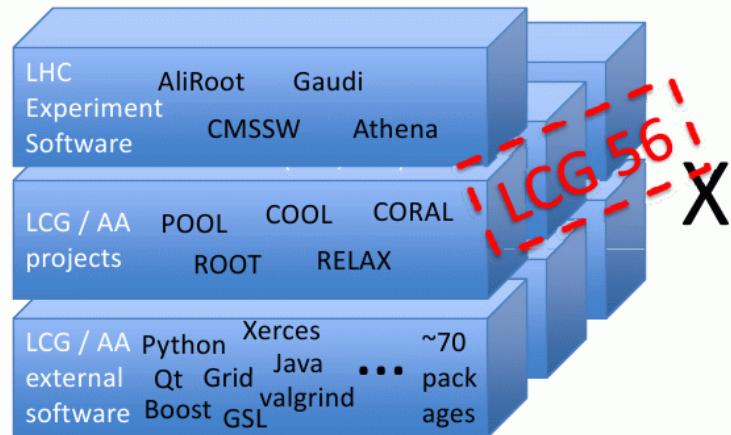
7 million lines of code: C++/Python/Perl/Java/Fortran/SQL  
220 cores for everyu nighty

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## LHC Software

LCG Configuration

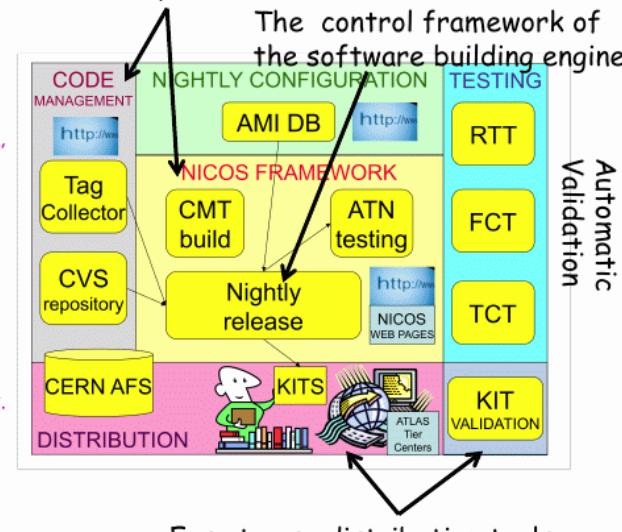


= ~ 20 different platforms

## Software Release Tools

- The SIT uses a number of tools to build, test, and distribute the SW:
  - CVS - the code repository that holds the code submitted by the developers
  - Tag Collector (TC) - manages which software versions are used in the release
  - CMT - manages software configuration, build, and use
  - NICOS - drives nightly builds of the ATLAS software, provides a variety of tools for official releases and date the software, Pacman - the distribution kit.

"Bedrock" base allowing the management of many developers and releases



Easy to use distribution tools

F. Luehring: ATLAS Computing

# Virtualization



## CernVM - a virtual software appliance for LHC applications

C. Aguado-Sanchez<sup>1)</sup>, P. Buncic<sup>1)</sup>, L. Franco<sup>1)</sup>, A. Harutyunyan<sup>2)</sup>,  
P. Mato<sup>1)</sup>, Y. Yao<sup>3)</sup>

1) CERN, Geneva,  
2) Yerevan Physics Institute, Yerevan,  
3) LBNL, Berkeley

Predrag Buncic (CERN/PH-SFT)

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## VML and CernVM Virtualization for ATLAS

Yushu Yao, Paolo Calafiura, Charles Leggett (LBNL)  
Andrea Cavalli, Julien Poffet, Frederic Bapst (EIA, Fribourg)

In collaboration with the CernVM Team

**Linux standard**

A comparison between xen and kvm

**Andrea Chierici**  
Riccardo Veraldi  
INFN-CNAF

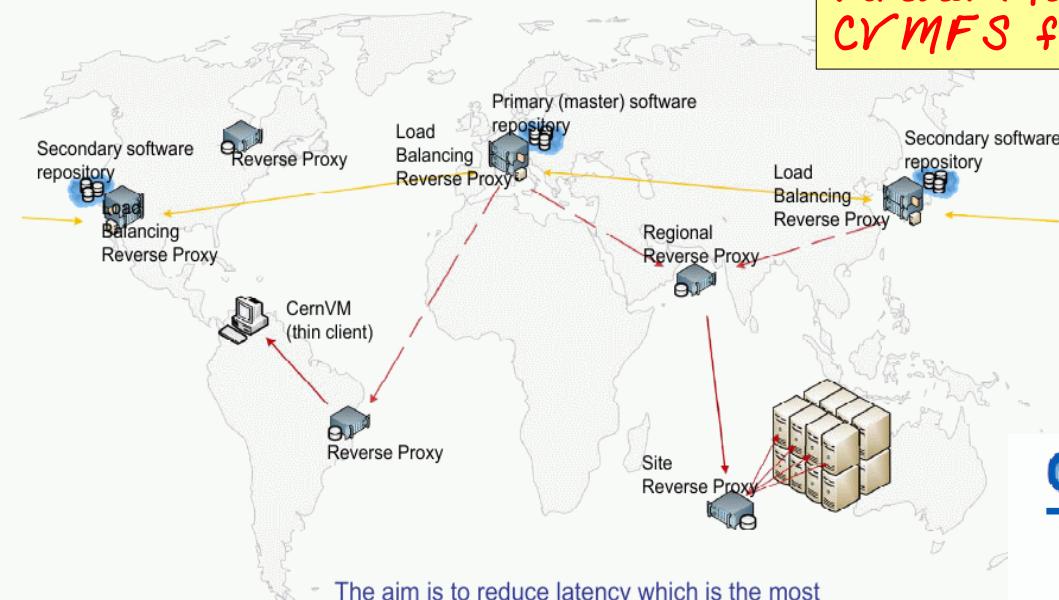
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# Virtualization (1)



## Current deployment model

*Virtual Machine + deployment and update infrastructure  
CRMFS filesystem*

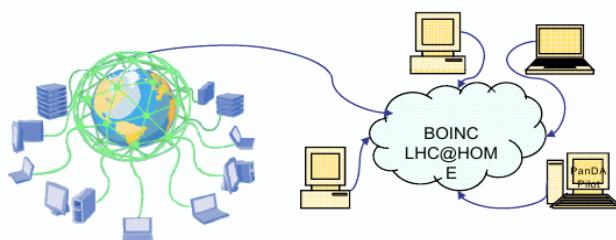


- The aim is to reduce latency which is the most important issue for distributed network file systems



## Bridging Grids & Clouds

- BOINC
  - Open-source software for volunteer computing and grid computing
  - <http://boinc.berkeley.edu/>
- CernVM CoPilot development
  - Based on BOINC, LHC@HOME experience and CernVM image
  - Image size is of outmost importance to motivate volunteers
  - Can be easily adapted to Pilot Job frameworks (AliEn, Dirac, Panda)
    - ... or Condor Worker, or proof...
  - Aims to demonstrate running of ATLAS simulation using BOINC infrastructure and PanDa



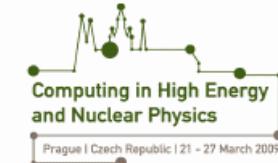
# Virtualization (2)

VML = Virtual Machine Logbook

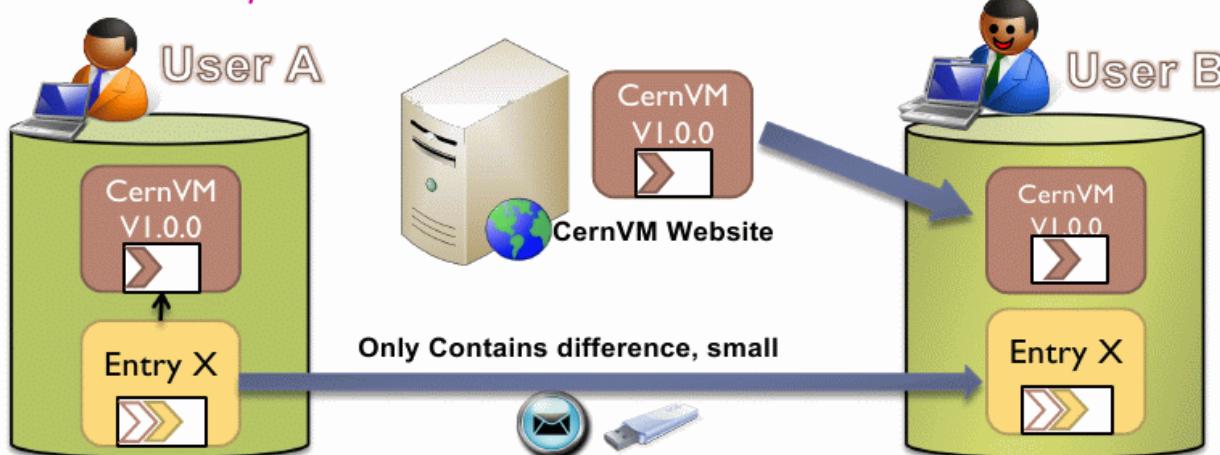
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## Sharing Work with VML



- All your CernVM projects are based on certain version of CernVM (e.g. 1.01)
- VML can save a state of your work
  - the saved state contains only the difference from its base
  - The difference can be very small, that you can send it over email.
- To share your work, just send the difference to another user
  - VML will obtain the base CernVM automatically and reconstruct exactly the same state

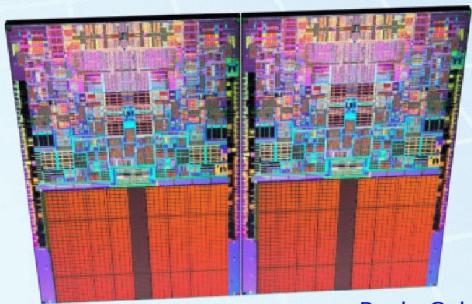


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# Performance



## Core Performance



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Lawrence Berkeley National Lab  
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Openlab  
to be included in RHEL, it should be in the kernel

An update on perfmon and the  
struggle to get into the Linux  
kernel

Andrzej Nowak  
March 26<sup>th</sup> 2009



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## GPU's for event reconstruction in FairRoot Framework

Mohammad Al-Turany (GSI-IT)

Florian Uhlig (GSI-IT)

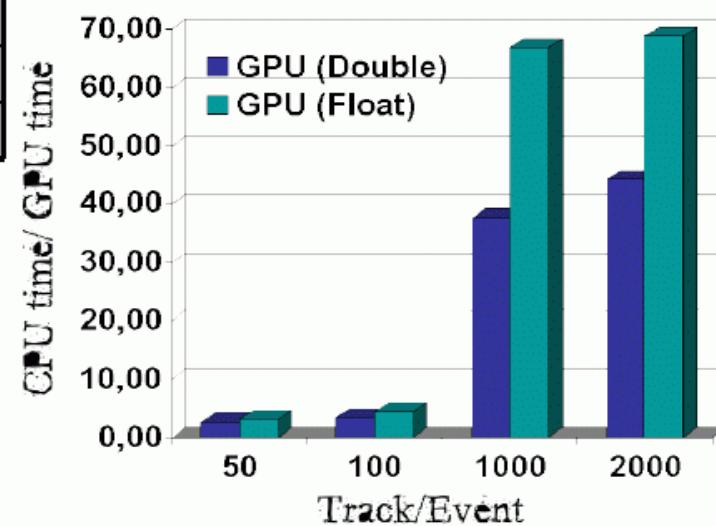
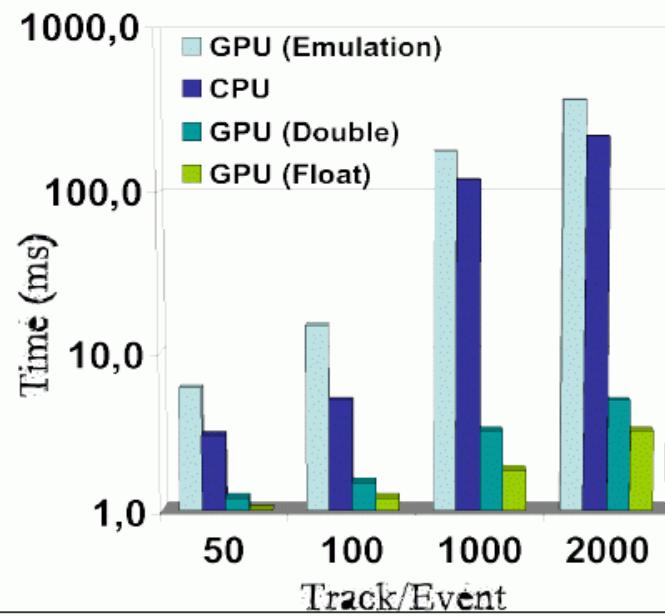
Radoslaw Karabowicz (GSI-IT)

CUDA - Nvidia's Compute Unified Device Architecture, works with C  
light threads (thousands threads)  
vector and parallel processing  
could gain order-of-magnitude in speed x expensive

# Performance

## What we gain?

Track/Event	50	100	1000	2000
GPU (Double)	2.5	3.3	37.5	44.0
GPU (Float)	3.0	4.2	66.7	68.8



# Simulation



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## Design and performance evaluation of generic programming techniques in a R&D prototype of Geant4 physics

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M. Augelli, M. Begalli, E. Gargioni, B. Grossi,  
P. de Queiroz Filho, L. Quintieri, P. Saracco, R.  
M. Sudhakar, G. Weidenspointner, A.

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**GENSER** = LCG Generator Library  
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**HEPML** = metadata (XML)  
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# Misc

## Job Life Cycle Management Libraries for CMS Workflow Management Projects

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**CEDAR = Condor Communication layer  
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