

Data Operations & the Remote Operations Center



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Data Operations –what? who?

- Two teams, one at CERN, one at FNAL
(C. Paus @ CERN, L. Bauerdick @ FNAL)
- Manages all data processing beyond storage manager:
 - T0 Operations
(J. Bendavid @ CERN, D. Mason @ FNAL)
 - T1 Operations
(G. Ceballos @ CERN, K. Hahn @ FNAL)
 - Release Validation
(D. Romero @ CERN, O. Gutsche @ FNAL)
 - Data Transfer
(S. Xie @ CERN, P. Rossman @ FNAL)
 - MC Production
(M. Thomas @ Europe, A. Mohapatra @ US)

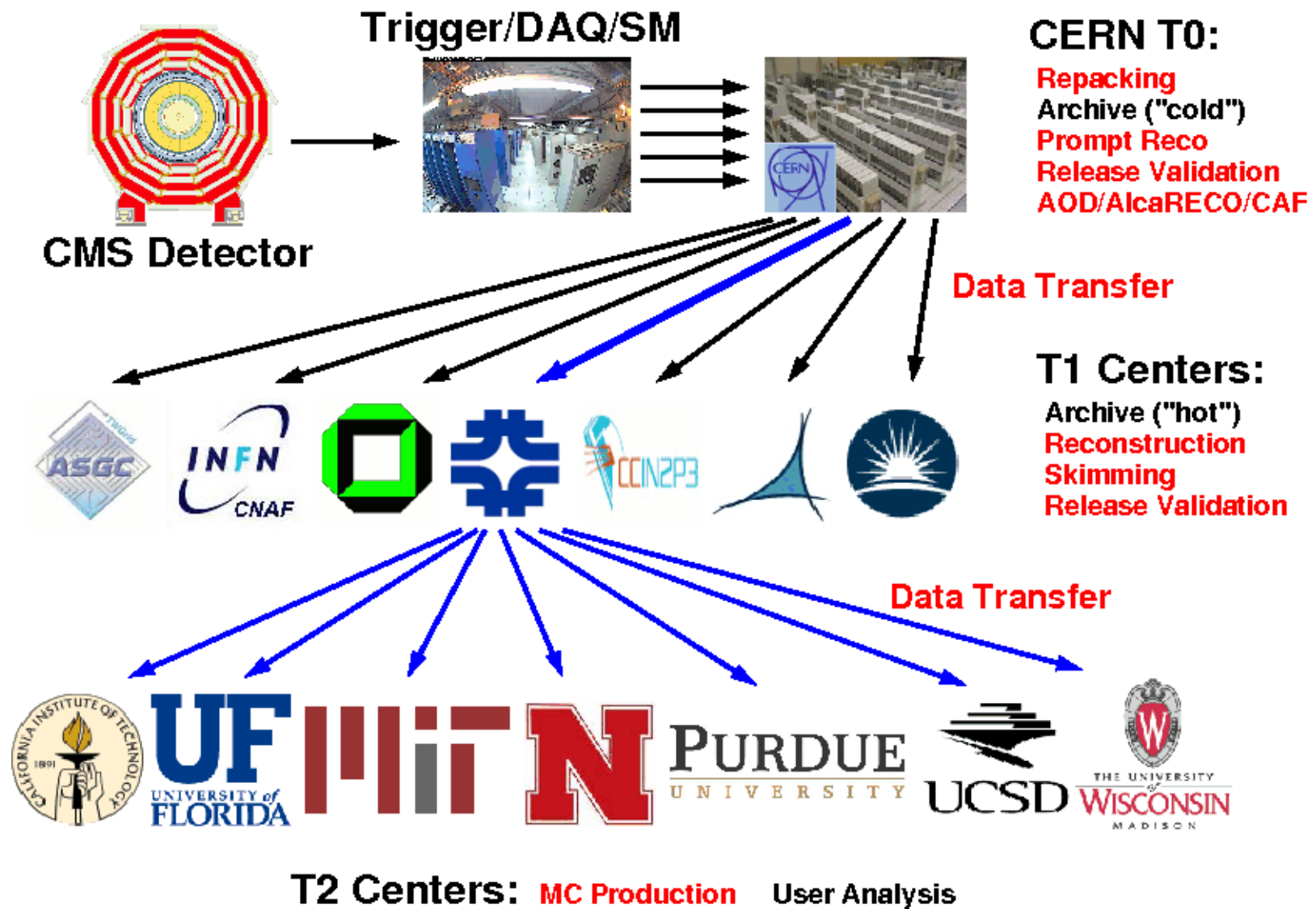


Why a Data Ops Team at FNAL

- Active FNAL team in operation since Summer '07
- Takes advantage of natural 7 hour time zone difference
 - Can be active after CERN day ends
- FNAL is the largest T1, allocation even more than for CERN T0
 - FNAL is only T1 with resources exclusive to CMS
- Concentration of Experts
 - Software development: T0, ProdAgent, CMSSW Framework, DBS/Frontier
 - Remote Operations group based here at FNAL
 - Detector expertise (CSC's, Hcal, Tracker...)
 - Physics expertise from the LPC



1-shot CMS Computing Model



During Data Taking

- Data Ops must monitor & maintain the automated T0 systems
 - Monitor P5 – CERN transfers, data repacking, prompt reco and calib. Workflows, detect and report any job crashes, make sure results recorded in DBS
- Must monitor data transfers
 - Data must reach the T1's promptly for custodial storage
- Operates and manages T1 processing
 - Skimming happens as data reaches T1, reprocessing large datasets as improvements made to software/calibrations
- Concurrent with this:
 - Release Validation – front line in finding software problems
 - Monte Carlo Production – run at T2's all the time



You can find data ops in the ROC

- During datataking period this summer & fall, data ops maintained 24 hour shift coverage at CERN and FNAL ROC
 - Direct connection with CERN team and access to P5!
 - Able to monitor and control computing systems remotely from the ROC
- **We need talented people to become involved in both data ops & development of the tools**
 - Service credit!
 - Its where the action is!
 - Visit distant and exotic places!
 - Still lots of work to do to improve & upgrade systems before beam returns, many places one can make an impact!

