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RWTH Aachen (Germany) Tier2 Site Report

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Worldwide LHC Computing Grid

Distributed Production Environment for Physics data Processing





The CMS German Federated Tier2 1/2 (RWTH Aachen) + 1 (DESY Hamburg) avg. CMS T2



Focus for Aachen on MC prod. & calib.; DESY analyses + MCP



RWTH Aachen Tier2+3 Prototype



• ~100 modern WN processors good experience with dual core Opterons 1 GB RAM per proc., large local disk and 1 (of 2) Gbit/s LAN per box (2CPU/1-2core)

1*CE, 2*control/sercive nodes
7*SE

3 GHz single Intel CPU, 3 GB RAM, 2*GBit/s in kernel bonding, Raid 5 (8-Ports) or Raid6 (16-ports) commodity SATA disk boxes good exp. with Areca Raid6,16-p controller

• Institute server room

30 kW cooling system

• Cisco 3750 GBit/s stack

so far 2*GBit/s uplink to Dept. Cisco 45k



Configuration, Services, ...

- 1 classial SE (legacy)
- > NFS,ro automount to desktop cluster (130 CPUs, 3 CMS instit.,Condor)
- 6 SEs (and local WN disks) in dCache
- > pnfs on service node in Raid1 with fast 75 GB Raptor SATA disks
- > DNS round-robin for srm-cp (one DB!)+ grid-ftp(load balanc. for protocol)
- > dcap access (root!) from desktop cluster (load control by # movers)
- > access to Aachen IT center's Tivoli tape system in good progress
- inter-site dCache coupling Aachen-DESY under consideration
- T0/T1 DB access by Frontier/Squid proxy
- > 300 GB in Raid1 on service node
- Monitoring 🔬 and installation 📰 quattor
- > do not (want to) use also yaim, quattor also for desktop cluster soon
- Glite 3.0.2, mon.+CMS+DCMS(legacy) VOs, dcms VOMS
- OpenPBS (MCprod>dcms>cms), no local user mapping



Personal, Ramp-up, ...

- Prototype cluster in LCG since ~2 years
- CMS will stay as dominate VO, in future some further VOs (med.(Geant4), astroparticle) likely
- Presently about 3 scientific FTEs, ~5 hopefully soon
- > extent. expertise in CMS software installation, CMS MC prod., Quattor
- Resource planing:
- > 2006:
- 140 kSPECint2k, 25 TB SE disks, >/= 1GBit/s
- → 2007/2008:
- Funding for CMS Tier2 + subst. Tier3 approved, IT centre availab.
- ✓ ½ average CMS Tier2 (1.5 together for German CMS T2 federation)
 → >/= 2009:
- * a few projects for further funding identified / application phase



• MTCC

- → <u>Magnet Test and Cosmic Challenge</u>
- Low latency data transfer from T0
- Tier0 conditions data base access by Frontier/Suid







7 TBytes in 6 weeks





- Transfer load tests
- → CMS set up matrix for data export and inport of all CMS T1s and T2s
- → data dropped from disk soon after transport, vetos configurable by site



210 TBytes transfered in 27 weeks

~45 MBytes/s avg. Rate (w/o MTCC)



- Monte Carlo production
- → Grid-based system, 1*USA + 3*Europe (incl.RWTH/DESY) support teams
- so far gen+sim+dig steps, few 100 evts/job, jobs merged and sent to T0, pile-up and reco (s.w. not yet ready) later at T0 during CSA06



In general 90% of failures due to stage-out problems RWTH Aachen (and DESY) significant and reliable contribution 'Private' MC production also possible (local DBS, DLS)



• Grid analysis job performance monitored by JobRobot

during August:



As for most sites Grid success rate O(90)% but overall success less O(50%) Recent failures due to out-of-date software version needed by job robot



From SC4 to CSA06 / Wish List

- CMS <u>Computing</u>, <u>Software and Analysis challenge</u>
- from October until November 13
- → goal is to test 'whole chain' T0 -> T1 <-> T2
- → skimmed data will be sent from T1s to T2s using FTS channels
- → continous Grid user analysis jobs at T2s
- monitoring of job rate, job efficiency, rate of I/O to storage
- → in parallel some MC prodcution at T2 sites
- Wish list (especially for multiple VO sites and/or smaller sites with limited manpower and budget)
- > LCG to Glite transition was a pain!-> middleware developpers have to provide in parallel well tested installation fabric tools (pref. Quattor)
- > (IMHO) virtualisation (e.g. Xen) will be important for the success of the Grids to allow for OS flexibility and better usage of severs/services.

Conclusions

- * RWTH Aachen + DESY -> German Federated CMS Tier2
- * Tier2/3 prototype in Aachen for CMS since 2 years
- * fully integrated in Grid, LCG, CMS computing

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- only one VO allows for fully flexible system tailored to the needs of CMS; fast direct communication with CMS colleagues on site very usefull and stimulating
- although presently still only moderate resources, substantial contributions to SC4 since very reliable system and enthusiastic and competent support team
- * strong participation in CSA06 (postSC4) planned
- * significant increase of hardware + FTE resources soon