

Functional tests of a prototype for the CMS-ATLAS common non-event data handling framework

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Overview

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Conditions data

Non-event data, used to describe the CMS and ATLAS detectors and constitute an essential ingredient to reconstruct events optimally and exploit the detectors' potential.

Data categories:

- Detector calibrations and alignments
- Control systems (HV, LV,...)
- Run information
- Beam information
- Trigger configuration
- Detector status

The collaboration

CMS went through a substantial change for Run2

- New system developed during LS2 to handle conditions data
- Exploited lessons learned in Run1

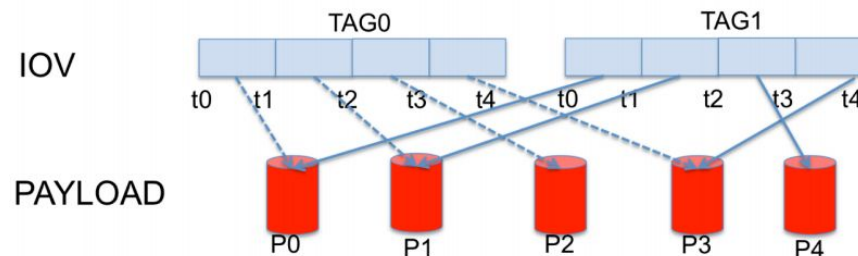
Collaboration with ATLAS started in June 2014

- Found several commonalities in the overall approach
- Discussion lead to a common view of the Data Model
- A common strategy on the architecture under discussion

The development that are shown in the following slides are coming from a joint effort of ATLAS and CMS.

Data model

- Payload
 - Container class defining conditions
 - Persisted/Stored as a whole (BLOB)
- IOV - Interval of validity
 - Time interval of events for which a given payload is to be consumed
- Tag
 - Label assigned to an IOV sequence
 - Identify the condition data for a specific system
- Global Tag
 - Consistent set of Tags, targeted for a specific workflow



Objective

Goals:

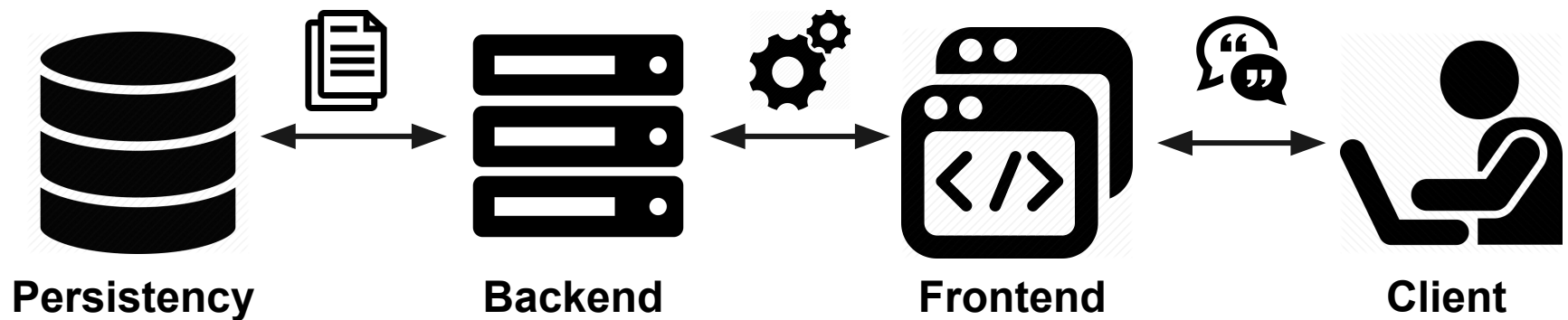
- Offer a service to access the conditions data fully integrated with a data caching system
- Disentangle the client code from specific storage solutions
- Aggregate resources for the interested experiments to address common requirements

Strategy:

Don't repeat yourself (DRY) principle!

Architecture

Main **elements** to handle Conditions data:



Prototype

An application that decouples the mentioned elements, using state-of-art technologies and frameworks, and developing a client in the CMS software.

We use the *Java Platform, Enterprise Edition (Java EE)* to support a generic infrastructure for handling conditions.



Reference:

<https://indico.cern.ch/event/496146/contributions/1174798/>

Technologies

Proposed technologies for the prototype:

1. Persistency

a. Database, *Oracle*

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b. Object relational mapping (ORM), *Hibernate*

2. Backend

a. Model-view-controller fwk., *Spring*



3. Frontend

a. REST-API, *JAX-RS/ Jersey*



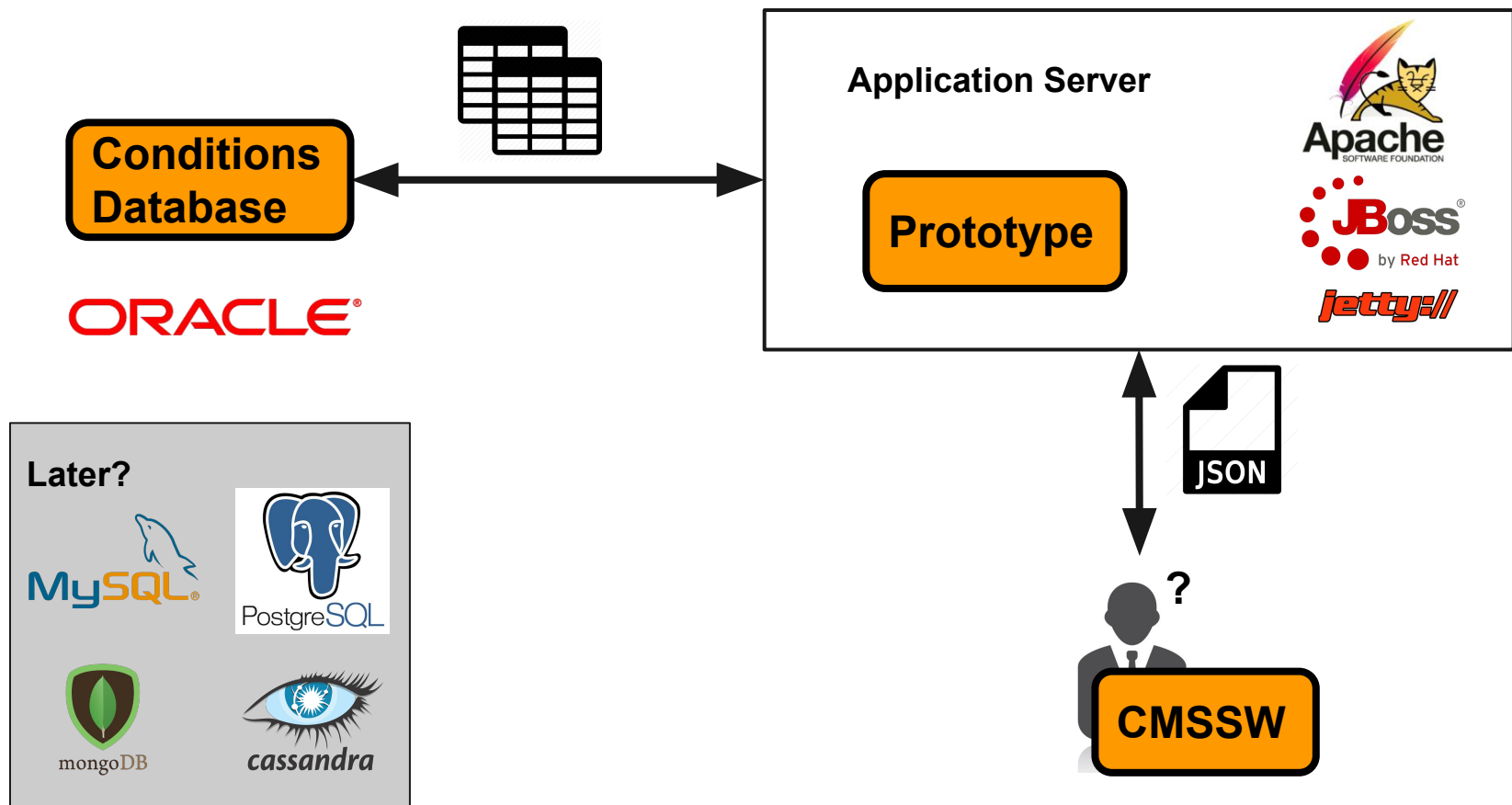
4. Client,

a. Simple clients, *Swagger*



b. CMSSW, *CPR curl wrapper* (C++ Requests: Curl for People)

Application overview



CMSSW integration

Development of a test bed in the CMS software.

- Using the *CPR* tool (*C++ Requests: Curl for People*),
 - Easy to install, using new standards,
 - It is basically a *libcurl* wrapper.
- JSON parsing
 - *Boost::property_tree*,
 - or header-only JSON parsers.
- Payloads are read with a callback function through CURL.

**Using REAL data and REAL production workflows
for the qualification of the prototype.**

Functional tests

Verify, that for a standard set of CMS validation workflows, the consumed conditions are exactly the same between the tested (prototype) and the reference (Frontier connection) version.

Workflow includes 2 processing steps:

1. High level trigger, whose output is fed to step (2)
2. Reconstruction of raw data
 - a. Equipped with large set of diagnostic plots filled with the reconstructed quantities

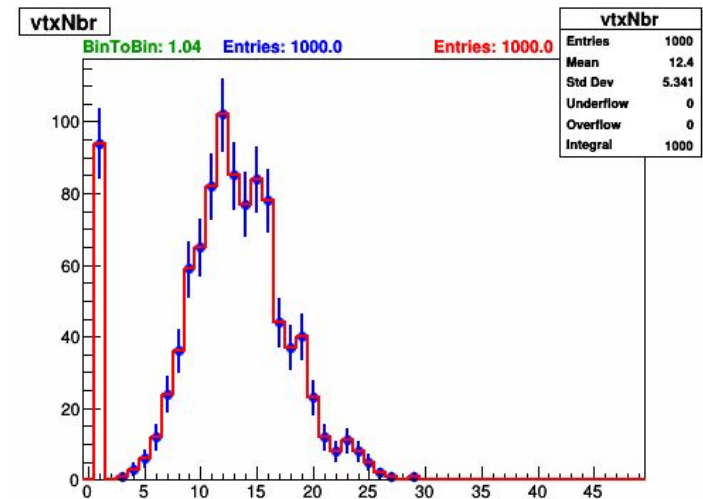
Results

The results of these tests:

- We verified, that all such diagnostic plots are identical to the reference point.

We processed:

- 1000 events,
- with 92000 plots.



Example: a histogram with the number of vertices which the reconstruction program has identified in p-p data. Physics quantity which is very sensitive to many of the non event-data consumed in CMSSW.

Conclusion

- Verified functionality
 - Identical results compared to the original solution
- Unifies the Condition handling for the experiments
- Flexibility
 - Following the DRY principle:
Different elements are independent
 - Example: With the current prototype, the replacement of Oracle with some other database would have no impact on the client

Outlook

- Integration
 - ATLAS software framework
 - And deployment for functional testing
 - Frontier
- Deployment for testing in larger scale
 - Dedicated resources for the application
- Fine-tuning
 - Host and application configuration
- Performance testing
 - Load time of conditions for different workflows

End

Thank you for your attention!

Any questions, suggestions are welcome!