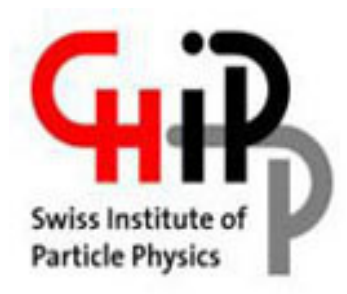


HEP Computing in Switzerland



Christoph Grab (ETH)
Head of CHIPP Computing Group

CHIPP, August 23, 2016

Status of WLCG Tier-2 and Tier-3 computing resources in Switzerland

Only few updates with respect to ECFA status
report on 1.4.2016

Overview Swiss LHC Computing Resources

- ◆ **Switzerland operates Tier-2 Regional Centre at CSCS and AEC**
 - Maintain our own dedicated compute-cluster integrated into “WLCG” .
 - Switzerland is committed as full member to contribute resources; signed **MoU**
 - ◆ **Tier-2 operated by CSCS, serves all 3 experiments: ATLAS, CMS, LHCb**
 - ◆ **Tier-2 operated at AEC-UNIBE serves ATLAS only**
- Collaboration agreement for operation of T2 between CHIPP and CSCS/ETHZ (2007-2018 with additional ETHZ funding secured)
- Available resources provided to WLCG and exploited centrally by experiments



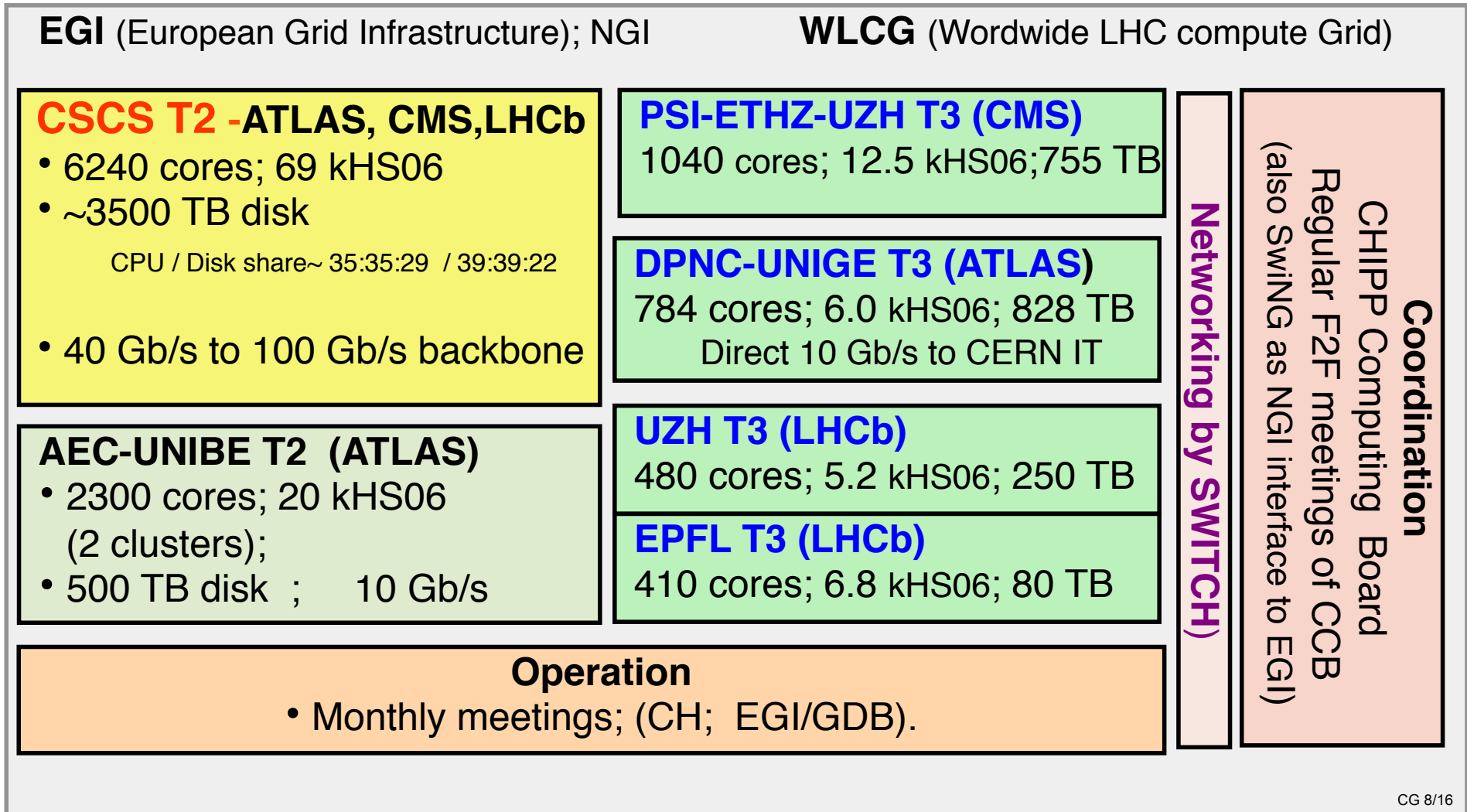
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Swiss National Supercomputing Centre



Swiss Tier-2 Phoenix cluster at Lugano

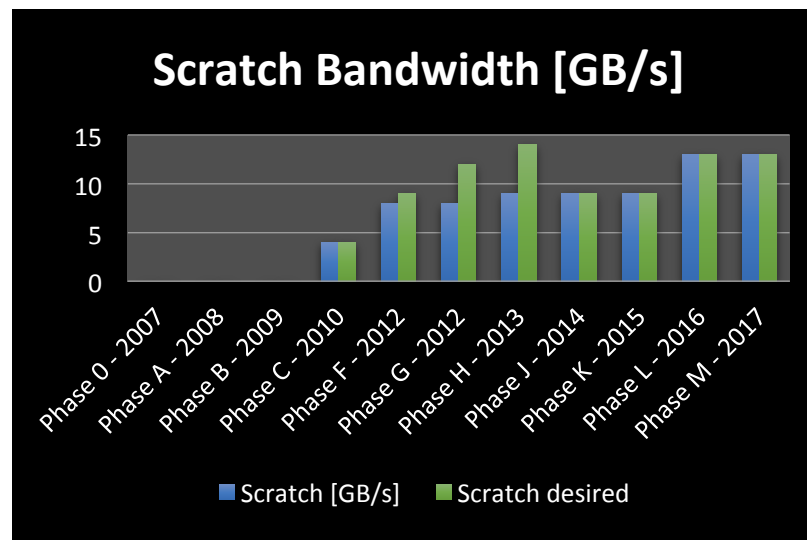
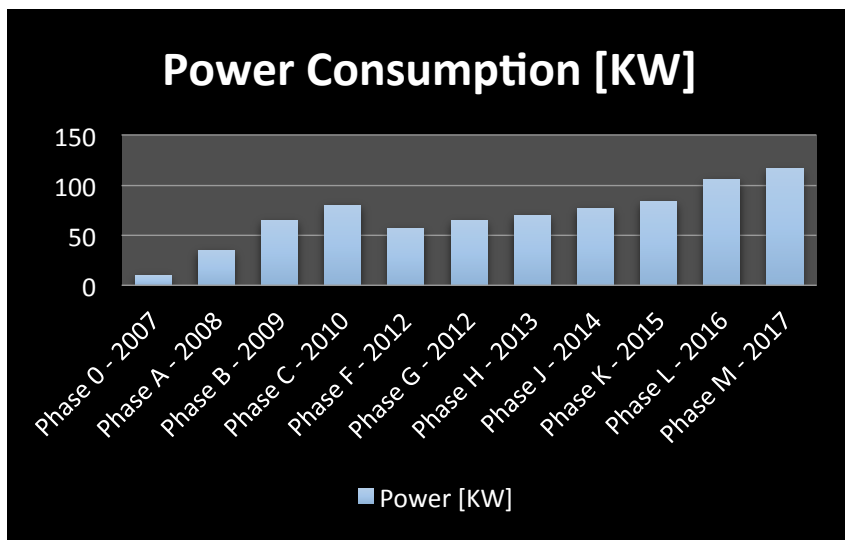
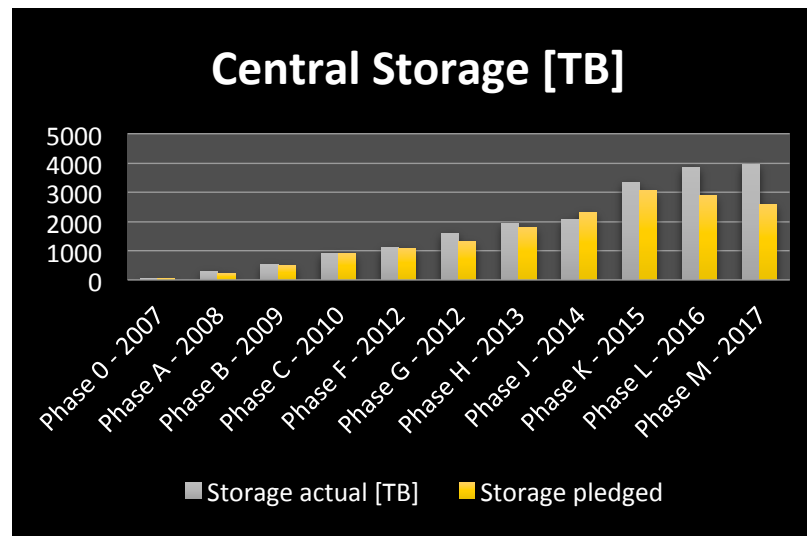
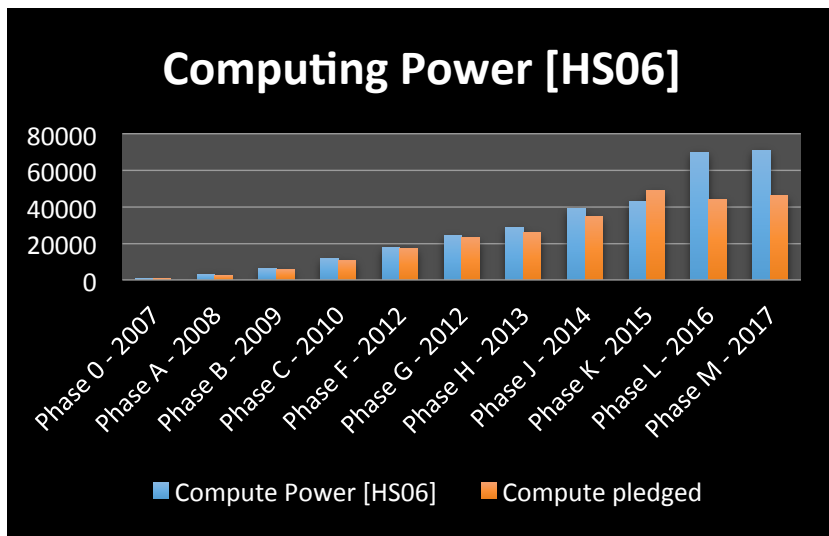
- ◆ **Complemented by local Tier-3 clusters** at PSI, UBe+UGe, UZH+EFL



Note: sum of Tier-3 resources [~30 kHS06; 1.5 PB]
 equals ~ 2/3 of Tier-2 resources (except ATLAS)

Evolution for 2007 – 2017

(phase K; met pledges 1.4.2016; now in phase L)

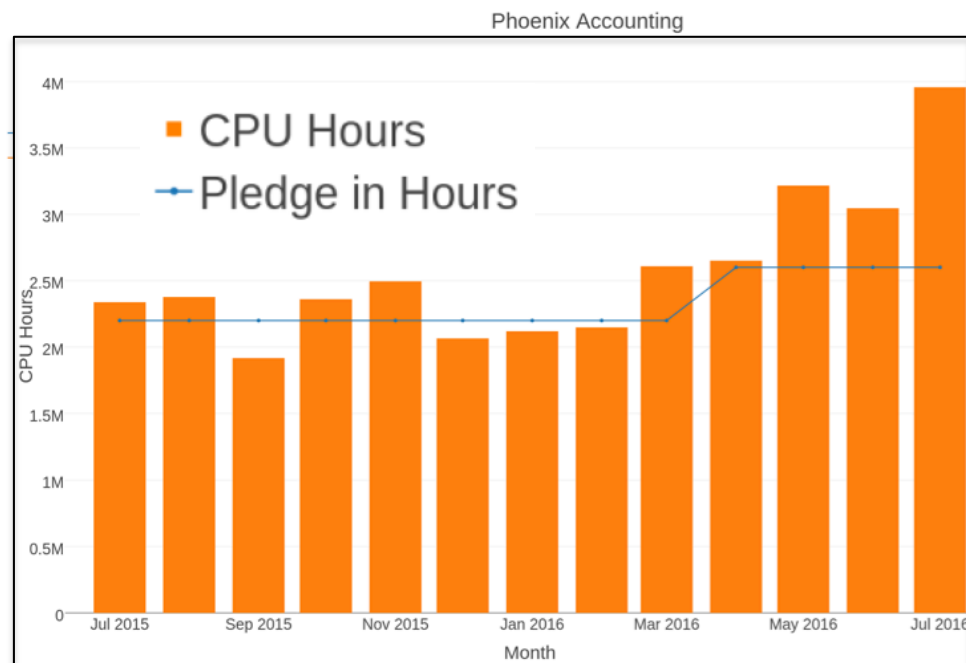
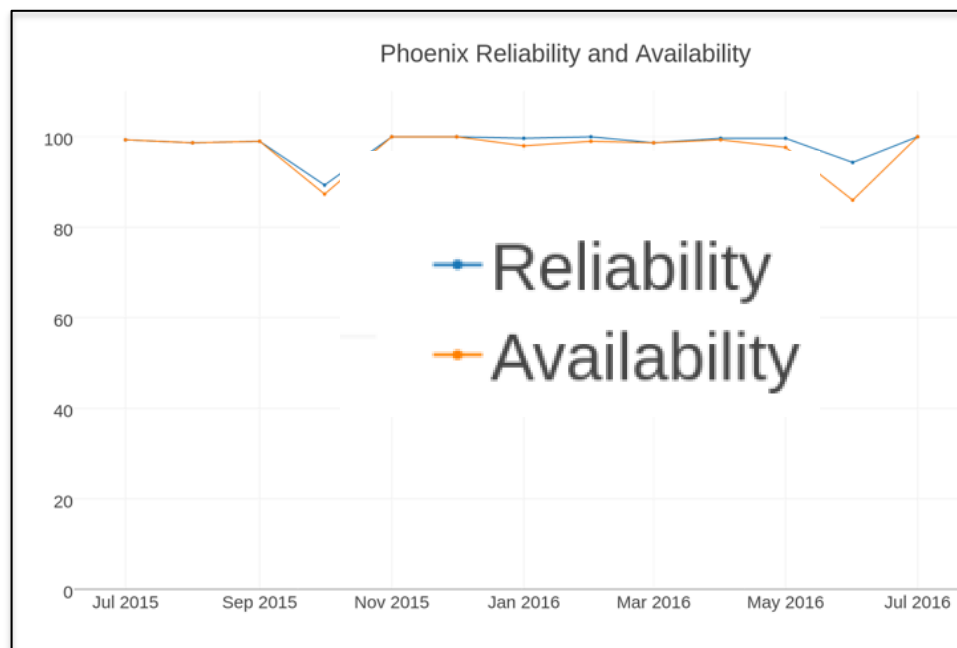


actual CPU+Disk > pledges

8.2016

Cluster CPU statistics (2015-2016)

For period 2015-2016



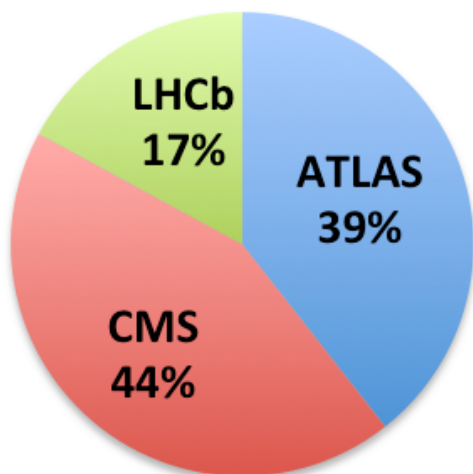
Availability and reliability of the cluster to experiments (WLCG)

Overall high (>95%).

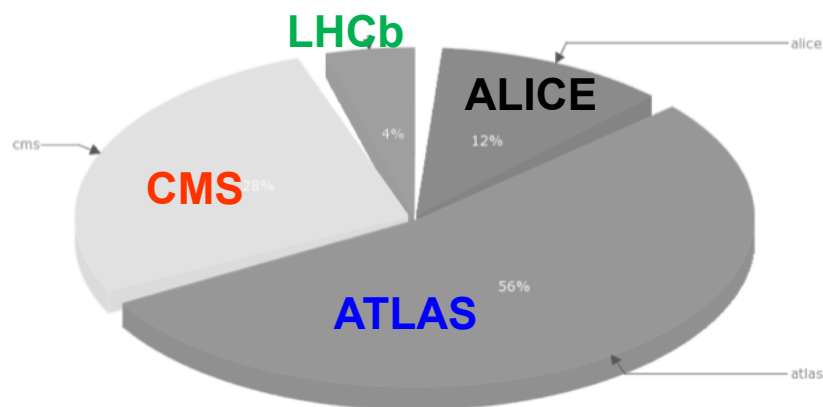
Pledges (in CPU hours) are met.

Walltime CPU usage 1.2015-1. 2016

CPU usage 2015-16

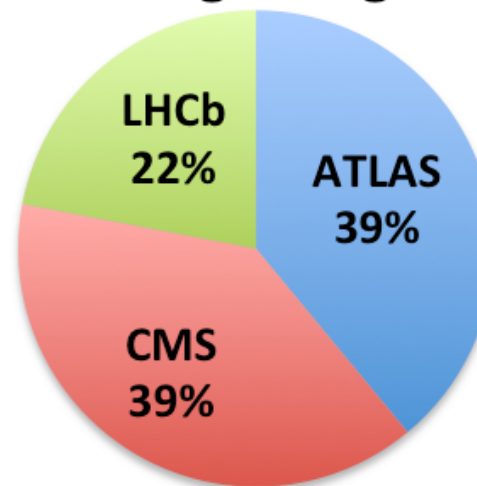


Compare to worldwide T2 usage



Storage usage on 8.2016

Disk usage Aug.2016



Resource ratios at CSCS: (8.2016)
ATLAS:CMS:LHCb

- CSCS fairshare ratio 40:40:20
- effective CPU usage: 35:35:29
- CSCS disk ratio: 39:39:22

Comments on Resources

- **HW investments at CSCS** (replacements and additions) are based on C-RRB recommendations of a “flat budget”. Funded by FLARE/SNF
Provides typically 15-20% increase of resource “power” per year.
- **HW investment at AEC**: HW + FTE from Institute/SNSF; power/infrastructure covered by the UniBe
- **Personnel for operation :**
 - 1.5 FTE to support Tier-2 operation at CSCS, covered by SNF/FLARE
 - 1 FTE covered by ETH internal funds for T2 at CSCS
 - + 0.5 for AEC-ATLAS only Tier-2 operation
 - Additional ~0.3 FTE per experiment as user- and experiment-specific software support, covered by institutes
 - Overall management and coordination tasks covered by ETH
- **Other resource items T2 and T3**
 - Recurring power/infrastructure costs at CSCC are carried by ETH; at AEC-UniBe carried by UniBe.
 - Tier-3 hardware costs covered by institutes
 - specific Tier-3 manpower covered by institutes, partly by SNF

~ 3 FTE for T2

~1 FTE for expt. contact

COMPUTE Resources, in kHS06 units

Experiment	2013 (delivered) Phase G	2014 (delivered) Phase H	2015 (delivered) Phase J	2016 (in progress) Phase K	2017 (planned) Phase L	2018 (future) Phase M
ATLAS	9.2	10.4	14	18	22	25
CMS	9.2	10.4	14	18	22	25
LHCb	4.6	5.2	7	13	18	22
TOTAL (kHS06)	23	26	35	49	62	72

Table 1: CPU resources, quoted in kHS06 units, as delivered or pledged to be available on April 1 of the year by the Swiss Tier-2 at CSCS as our national contribution (CH_Tier2) to WLCG[4].

STORAGE Resources, in Terabyte units

Experiment	2013 (delivered) Phase G	2014 (delivered) Phase H	2015 (delivered) Phase J	2016 (in progress) Phase K	2017 (planned) Phase L	2018 (future) Phase M
ATLAS	649	792/350	875/350	1200	1375	1500
CMS	649	792	875	1200	1375	1500
LHCb	2	216	550	670	750	1000
TOTAL (TB)	1300	1800	2300	3070	3500	4000

Table 2: Effective Grid Storage resources in Terabytes, as delivered or pledged to be available on April 1st of the year by the Swiss Tier-2 at CSCS as our national contribution (CH_Tier2) to WLCG [4].

phase K:= completed;
met pledges 1.4.2016

Phase L: =
Install in 2016; to meet
pledges in 1.4.2017.

Note: surpassed our
expectations on CPU due to
better deal, and faster HW
(Haswell CPU, Xeon E5-2680
v3 2.5GHz; vs IvyBridge v2).

Planning + Pledges:
To be discussed at the
next CHIPP computing
board on 1.9.

SUMMARY of Resources

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Table 3: Summary of the resources as delivered or pledged for April 1 of the year by our Swiss Tier-2 at CSCS to the international LHC community WLCG.

CHIPP Tier-2 pledged vs delivered resources on 8.2016 (source REBUS)

Installed Capacities						
Year: 2016		Month: 8				
Infrastructure	Site Name	Physical CPU	Logical CPU	HEPSPEC06	Disk (GB)	Tape (GB)
EGI	CSCS-LCG2	304	6,208	69,513	3,680,812	0
EGI	UNIBE-LHEP	179	2,281	0	0	0
Total		483	8,489	69,513	3,680,812	0

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Note:
 We surpassed our expectations on CPU due to better deal (bulk order CSCS) and faster CPU-HW (Haswell CPU vs IvyBridge).

Status 8/2016

Federation Pledges										
Year: 2016										
Pledge Type	ALICE	% of Req.	ATLAS	% of Req.	CMS	% of Req.	LHCb	% of Req.	SUM	% of Req.
CPU (HEP-SPEC06)			24,500	4%	14,500	2%	10,000	12%	49,000	4%
Disk (Tbytes)			1,380	2%	1,030	3%	540	19%	2,950	3%

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<https://wlcg-rebus.cern.ch/apps/topology/federation/259/>

➔ Pledges are met; sources vary over time (due to replacement steps)

Swiss Tier-3 resources are indispensable tools
and exist in quite different “flavours” for :

- ATLAS: each at UBern and at UGe
- CMS: common T3 for ETHZ, UZH, PSI at PSI
- LHCb: each at UZH and EPFL.

- Their capacity sum up to ~50% and 70% of CPU and storage of Tier-2 (at CSCS w/out AEC) .

Updated details (8/16) of each Tier-3 in backup slides

Network in Switzerland

Swiss National Network

SWITCHlan Backbone serves us/HEP well

Dec. 2015

○ Tier 2/3

- Darkfibers
- SWITCHlan backbone node
- SWITCHlan (technical) nodes
- SWITCHlan node with external peerings
- project lightpaths
- provider internet transit
- IX internet exchange
- network research & education networks



Available to HEP:

- 40 Gbps internal at CSCS
- 100 Gbps CSCS to SWITCHLAN (to ZH, CERN)

SWITCH

Efforts towards a Future Model of improved resource sharing

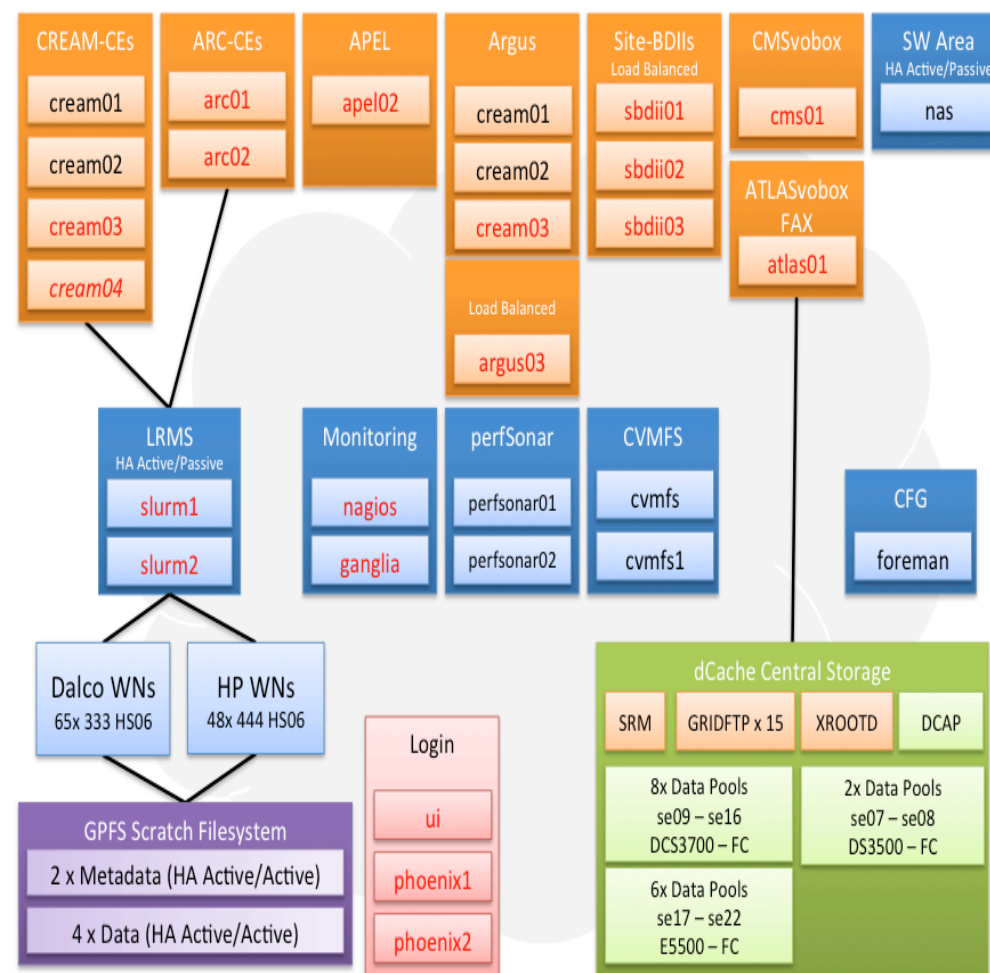
Continuously growing demand for computing resources requires rethinking of traditional HEP-only High Throughput Computing (HTC) clusters

Approach: Make High Performance Computing (HPC) resources available to the HEP community.

Swiss R&D project : “LHConCray at CSCS”

- CHiPP currently operates its own dedicated Tier-2 hardware cluster at CSCS. This requires:
 - Maintain multiple middleware interfaces (compute, storage, info)
 - All tailored specifically for CHiPP
 - System/Interfaces at CSCS, VO representatives outside

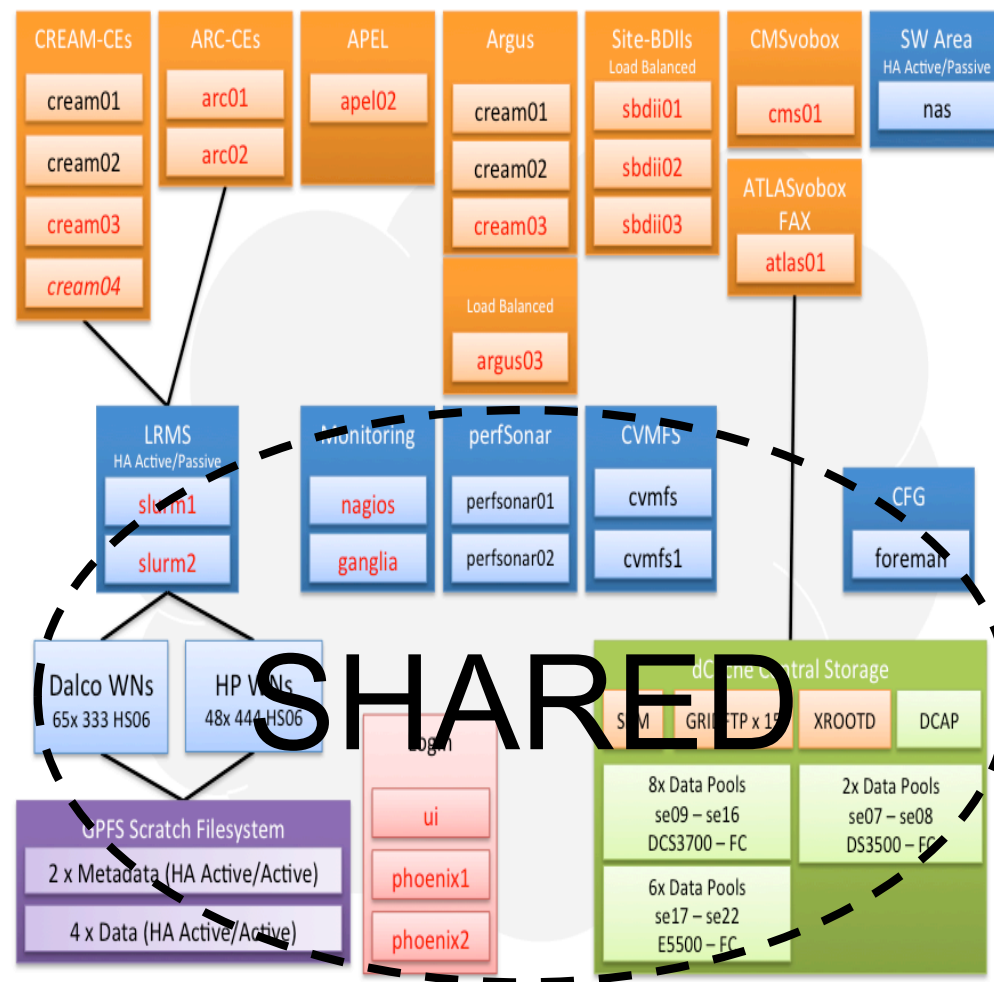
Overall efficiency can potentially be much improved by sharing resources with many other communities



- Goal is to share resources and efforts with other communities.
- In our specific case this would mean profit from the shared HPC Systems at CSCS (with >6500 nodes and >10 PB of storage) while keeping the interfaces to the Grid World WLCG

Project requires:

- Porting different workflows (VO Job factories and such) into the shared systems
- Render Grid Middleware CRAY-enabled
- **TEST, TEST, TEST ..**



- *Objective: Run LHC workflows in production on the CSCS Cray in **shared mode***
- **First tests on prototype HW were successful (ATLAS MC production).**
- **Extensive tests** on actual CRAY systems in “real production environment” are now **in progress** for ATLAS, CMS and LHCb.
- Currently, however CRAY-HW at CSCS is being upgraded ...
- Need to do:
 - Demonstrate technical feasibility of running for all 3 experiments
 - Testing, testing ... of ~1 month for stability
 - Determine operation efficiency, costs, study system behaviour...
 - Do cost comparisons of present vs future LHConCRAY, based on data.
 - Then decide on switching systems, stop, or have independent R&D.

Profits:

- ✓ **Broaden availability of resources** worldwide far beyond present technologies
- ✓ **Leverage from economy of scales** procuring and operating hardware
- ✓ Cooperate and involve other communities (HPC)...
- ✓ Other, similar efforts ongoing in ATLAS, CMS, (ALICE)

Questions: Long-term strategy >2020? Switch completely ? Funding?

- From Liz Sexton-Kennedy of USCMS (june 16):

We are not the only one investigating HPCs

U.S. CMS
Operations
Program



NSF/DOE “Open” HPC sites

Name	Institution	Architecture	Start Date
Mira *	ANL	786k core IBM PowerPC	2012
Titan	Oak Ridge	299k core AMD Opteron	2012
Stampede	TACC	100k core Intel Sandy Bridge	2013
Comet	SDSC	47k core Intel Haswell	2015
Edison * **	NERSC	133k core Intel Ivy Bridge	2015
Cori 1 * **	NERSC	52k core Intel Haswell	2015
Cori 2	NERSC	500k core Intel Knights Landing	2016
Theta	ANL	150k core Intel Knights Landing	2016
Summit	Oak Ridge	~3400 nodes IBM Power 9	2017
Aurora	ANL	~50k nodes Intel XEON Phi Gen 3	2018
Stampede 2	TACC	TBD (“twice the performance of Stampede”)	TBA (announced June 2016)

CMS

NSF DOE * = CMS has an allocation,
** = have run standard workflows

- From Torre Wenaus (BNL) of ATLAS (May 16):

Yoda: Event Service on Supercomputers

- While PanDA was originally developed for the Grid, BigPanDA and ATLAS have extended it to operate also as an HPC internal system
 - Designed for efficient and flexible resource allocation and management of **MPI-based parallel workloads within HPC**
- **Yoda** - HPC-internal version of PanDA - leverages the experience acquired in massively scaled data Intensive processing for efficient utilization of a single massively scaled HPC machine
- The PanDA team is working with computing specialists at **NERSC, OLCF** and **ALCF** on implementing several approaches towards fine-grained, adaptive, flexible workflows to achieve the highest possible system utilizations
 - Both **backfill** and **scheduled** allocation modes



ATLAS

Others:

- RZG, Hydra
- ALCF
=Argonne leadership computing facility
- OLCF: Oak Ridge leadership ...

CHIPP Computing Board

Coordinates the tier-2 and tier-3 activities

includes representatives of all institutions and experiments,
CSCS, and tier-3 experts



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Thank you ...