



Intro to session on Non-LHC Focus

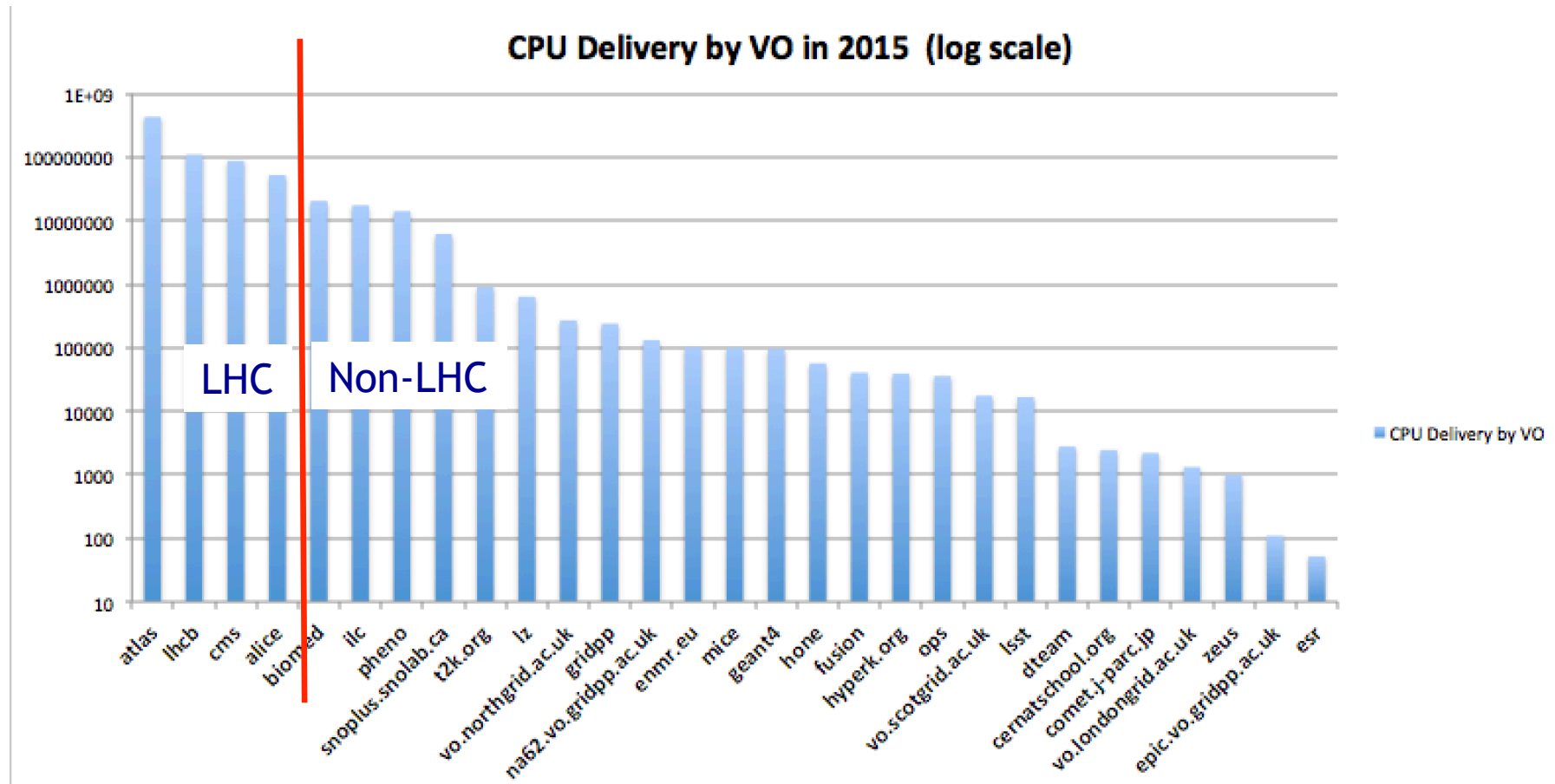
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Non-LHC computing support

- Non-LHC activities supported are shown in this [log plot](#)



- These are supported through:
 - Trying to maintain 10% of GridPP resources reserved for non-LHC activities
 - Local leverage at Tier2 sites



- Currently supported PP activities include:
 - ATLAS,CMS, LHCb,ALICE,
 - T2K,
 - NA62,
 - ILC,
 - PhenoGrid,
 - SNO,
 -other smaller users....
- New major activities on horizon in next 5 years:
 - Lux-Zeplin [already in production]
 - HyperK, DUNE
 - LSST
- Every effort is made to support any new PP activity within existing resources
- **But as more and more activities arise then eventually unitarity will be violated**
 - **marginal cost of physical hardware resources**
 - **spreading staff even more thinly**

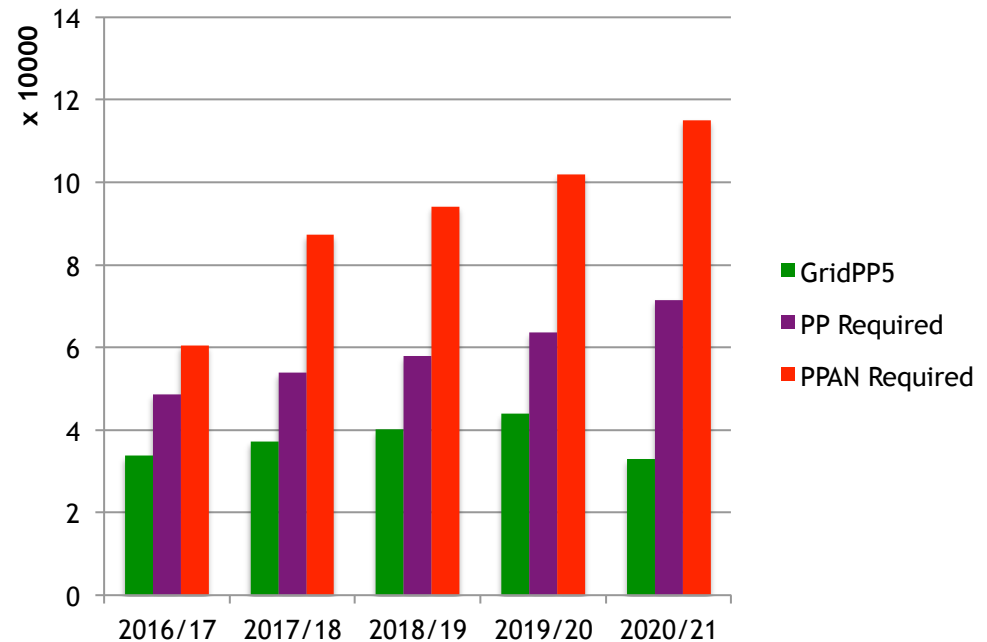
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- Policy published on GridPP web site: new activities are encouraged to:
 - liaise with GridPP when preparing any requests for funding
 - at least make their computing resource costs manifest when seeking approval
 - where these are “large” then to request these costs where possible
 - this is particularly important if a large commitment (pledge in LHC terms) is required to an international collaboration.
 - Each new activity should consider the complete costs of computing:
 - Marginal hardware (CPU, storage)
 - Staff:
 - operations
 - generic services
 - user support
 - activity specific services
- ↑ Economies of scale increase
- Of course, if it is not “timely” to obtain costs, then best efforts access remains

PPAN wide HTC requirement

- PP requirements grow towards LHC Run-III
- Astronomy requirements are growing fast
 - Advanced LIGO
 - LSST
 - EUCLID
 - SKA
- Figure shows CPU requirements (2015 cores)
 - GridPP5 funded
 - PP requirements
 - PPAN requirements

[some of difference between green and purple is currently made up of leverage]



- Similar plots for storage
- PPAN requirements are approximately double the known funded resources

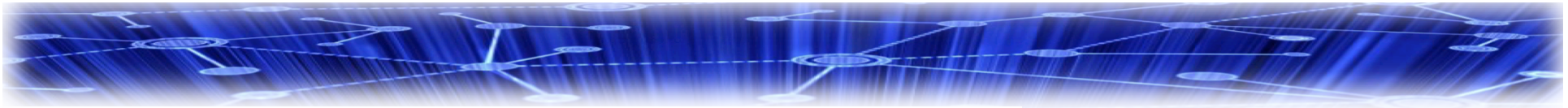
LHC cat and non-LHC cat have to share



It was not possible to fund all hardware costs in GridPP5 for all LHC and non-LHC requirements



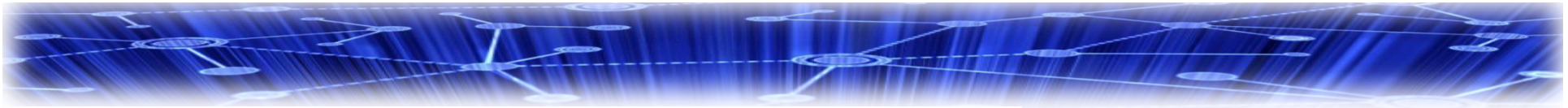
local leverage and determination



next 5 years ... we have to work as UKT0



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..and a high performance basket

- Computing for LHC is approximately OK until 2019/20 through GridPP5
- Requirements from non-LHC activities are growing. Up to a point this can be handled using leveraged resources at Tier2 sites - but at some point unitarity is violated for both hardware and staff
- New activities are encouraged to liaise early with GridPP, to work within UKT0 framework, and to request and contribute marginal costs as part of the “collective”
- DiRAC HPC provision for theory is at end of life - the situation is rapidly becoming serious.
- **Severe shortage of computing staff in experiments**
- There is much good will across STFC (PPAN and National Facilities) to work together to minimise costs
- Case being made strongly to BEIS for eInfrastructure investment