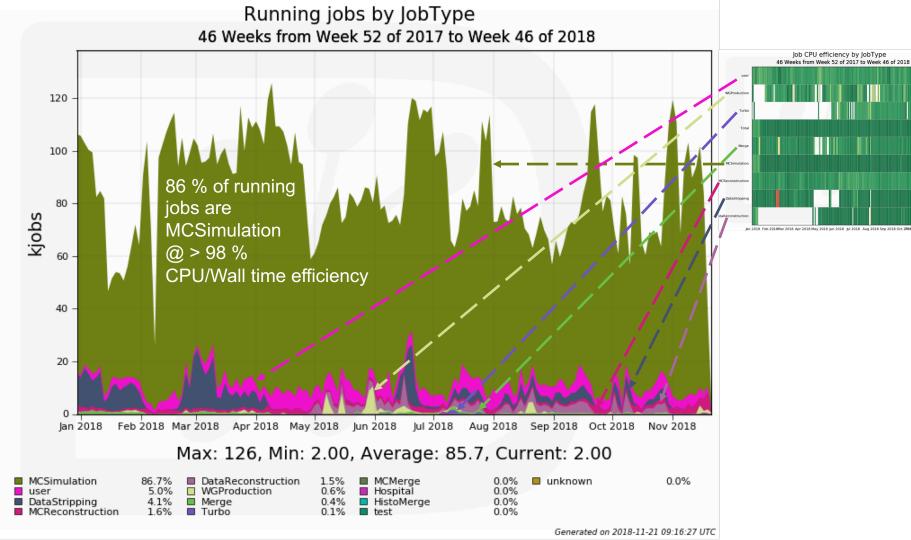
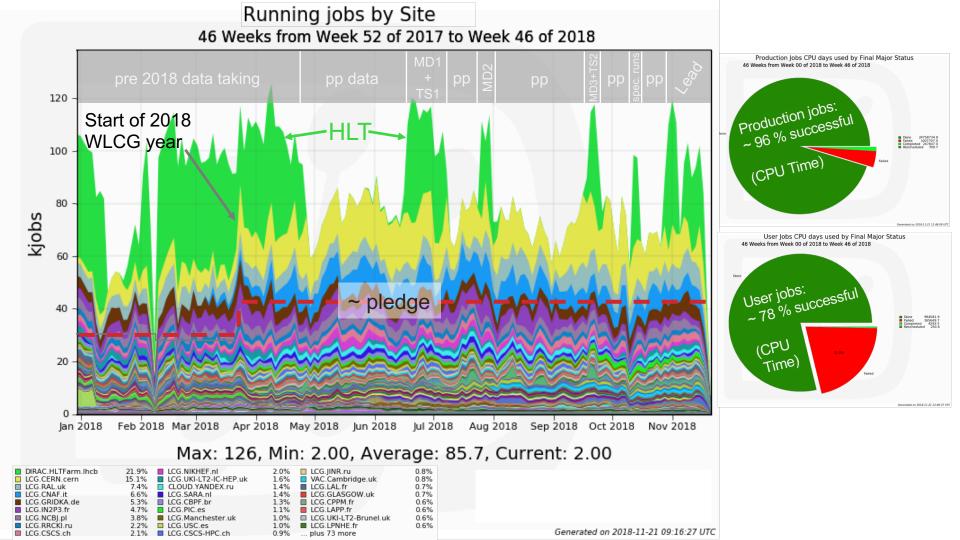
LHCb Software & Computing

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Plans for 2019 Distributed Computing Productions

- Monte Carlo productions
 - Estimate to complete current "queue" of requested events account for several months
 - More simulation requests expected for 2017 MC simulation and with readiness of new Sim10 simulation framework currently under validation
- Incremental stripping campaigns for all Run1 and Run2 data foreseen
 - Plan to finish processing of data by fall 2019
 - Estimate 6 8 weeks for each Run 2 data taking year and Run1 combined
 - Very tight schedule, mostly limited by tape staging throughput

Simulation Queue

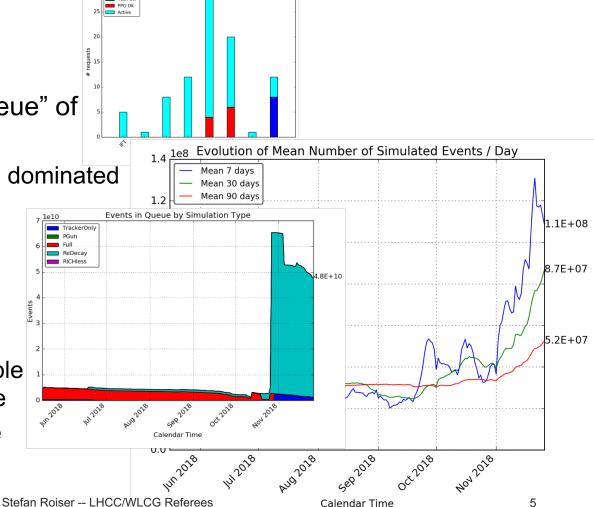
 After almost clearing "queue" of requested events

 Huge requests submitted, dominated by 2 working groups

 Working "democratically" on requests from all working groups

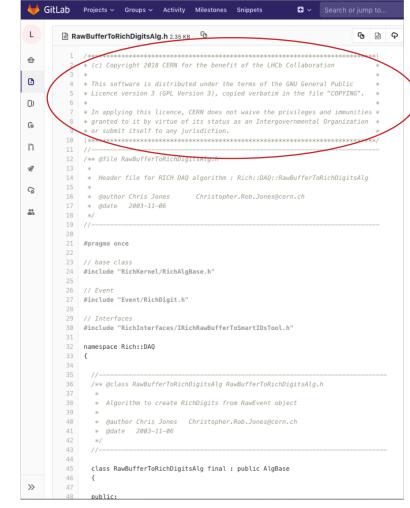
 → every working group gets their requested sample in a reasonable time scale

 → huge requests will take a lot of time O(months)

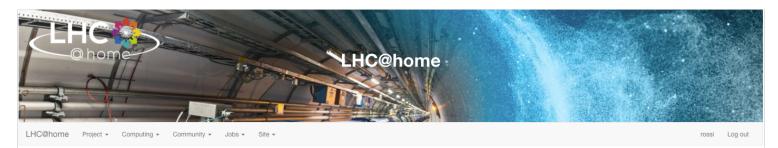


Copyright & License

- Agreement within the experiment collaboration board to assign copyright and licence on all LHCb centrally managed software repositories, i.e.
 - "Copyright CERN for the benefit of the LHCb collaboration"
 - "GNU General Public Licence v3"
- Statements are currently applied to all source files (.cpp, .h, .py, .xml, etc.)



Volunteer Computing – BOINC Paused



- After internal discussions decided to pause the usage of computing provided via the BOINC service, reasoning:
 - Mainly used as outreach activity with the level of provided computing resources being modest
 - Relatively high operational effort within LHCb computing, especially related to security constraints needed to run the service
- Discussions with BOINC service on how to increase the possible computing contribution in the future

 Leave the possibility to re-open the service in the future

New

Pausing submission of LHCb Applications

Dear BOING Volunteers

LHCb has been very grateful to the BOINC community in the past years for their support and provisioning of computing resources to run LHCb simulation jobs. Since the start of the service for LHCb you have provided computing resources that allowed us to execute a fantastic amount of 3.1 Million successful jobs which simulated 142'740'087 events. This work considerably contributed to the work of the experiment. Many thanks to you all !!!

Despite this success we have also observed that the work in connection to BOINC operations has grown in the past within the LHCb computing project and after internal discussions we have decided to pause the operations of the service and therefore not to run LHCb applications via BOINC for the time being with the possibility to re-open the service in the future.

Please note that the possibility to contribute computing resources to other BOINC projects stays untouched by this decision and we would like to encourage you to continue supporting also the other projects represented via the LHC@home BOINC service.

For now I would like to re-state my thanks to you, the BOINC community, for your support.

Best regards

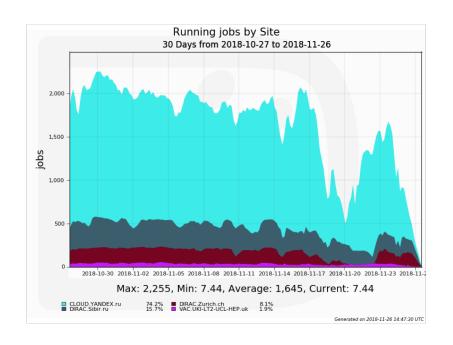
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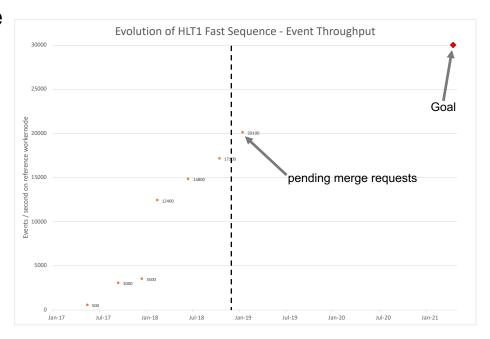
Opportunistic Computing – Institute contributions

- Recently contacted LHCb institutes asking to provide additional computing resources via otherwise idle interactive or batch clusters
- Several institutes already provide provide resources
- Several new under discussion from Italy, UK and Switzerland



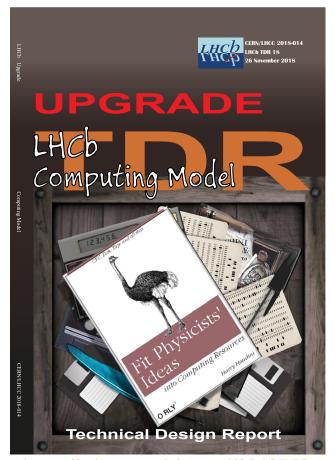
Upgrade Software Status

- Engineering of the HLT1 sequence progressing well
 - Major improvements in the past months
 - Better memory management
 - Several small optimizations of algorithms
 - Improvements of the framework
 - New scheduler production ready
 - More improvements in the pipeline (estimates in plot based on measurements on reference machine)
- As of next year move focus more on HLT2 sequence



Run 3 Computing Model

- Document finished and submitted to LHCC
- Lot of work reducing especially storage needs since May presentation
 - "Stripping" of the Full stream bandwidth to disk
 - Reduced storage needs for 2021 commissioning year
- Detailed presentation this morning



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Summary

- Computing operations continue at high usage and efficiency
 - This year usage on average 2x above WLCG pledged resources
 - Trying to keep especially MC production requests under control
 - Reaching out to utilize even more opportunistic and unpledged resources
- Run 3 upgrade work progressing well
 - Continued improvements for throughput of HLT 1 CPU based trigger
 - Computing Model TDR submitted to LHCC
- Hand-over of the computing project leadership
 - Many thanks for the constructive meetings. All the best to Concezio!

