

SCADA Evolution and Data Analytics

CERN openlab Technical Workshop

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Hundreds of WinCC OA SCADA systems at CERN: a major challenge for archiving



Cooling & Ventilation



Vacuum



Detector Controls



Electric Grid



Cryogenics



Gas Distribution



Environment & Radiation



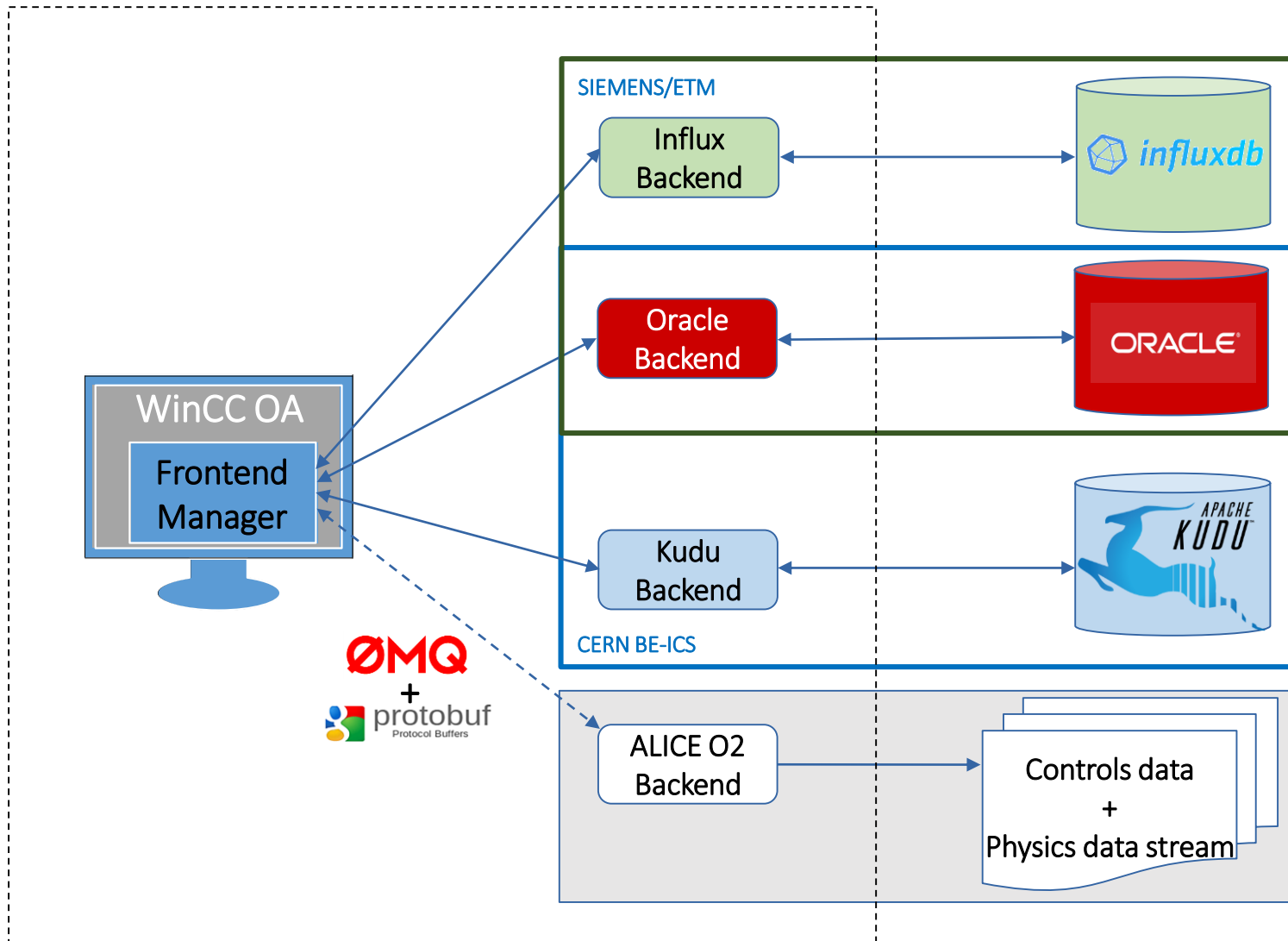
Interlocks and Safety

Requirements: reliability, performance and scalability, openness, new use cases

Data rates will increase in the HiLumi LHC

Need for a new, future-proof archiver with support for multiple database technologies

NextGeneration Archiver for WinCC OA



- Frontend Manager (ETM)
 - Connects to a WinCC OA system
 - Exposes ZMQ + protobuf API for backends
- InfluxDB Backend (ETM)
 - Both local and centralized InfluxDB installations supported
- Oracle Backend (CERN/ETM)
 - Compatible with the current archiver
- Apache Kudu Backend (CERN)
 - Potential next database technology for use at CERN (evaluation ongoing)
 - Enables data analytics
- Open architecture – custom backends (e.g. ALICE O2)

Project status

- Frontend
 - Most important features already implemented
 - Performance improvements in progress (based on results of large-scale tests)
 - Release for early adopters in Spring
- InfluxDB Backend
 - The most feature-complete backend at the moment
 - Release for early adopters in Spring
- Oracle Backend
 - A bit behind InfluxDB Backend in terms of functionality
 - Takeover of work by the new openlab Fellow
 - Migration and rollback scenarios well understood and in test
 - Production-grade version required in May by ALICE (production: September)
- Apache Kudu Backend
 - Development currently on hold (focus on Oracle Backend)
 - Pending performance evaluation of Kudu



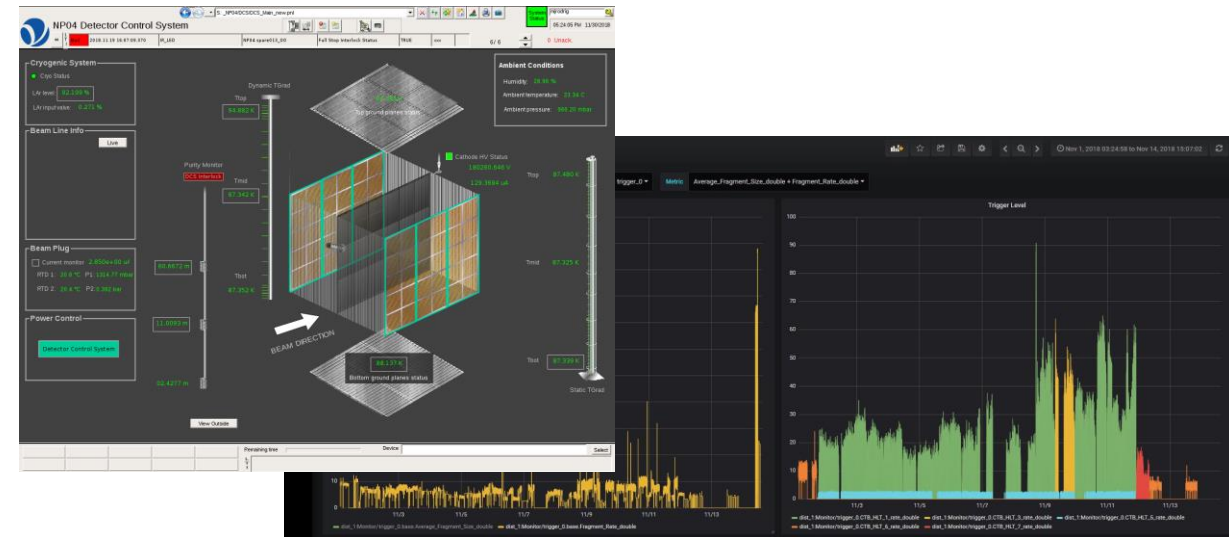
Early adopters at CERN

- ALICE

- Oracle Backend and custom O2 Backend streaming changes to include them in the physics data stream
- First tests of the O2 Backend successful
- Preparing for large-scale tests in ALICE infrastructure

- protoDUNE

- Making archived data available online in Grafana
- InfluxDB Backend used in selected systems



- Streaming of data from WinCC OA to external applications (e.g. through Apache Kafka)
– interest from the radiation monitoring group

Large-scale system tests at CERN

- Goal: evaluate the NextGeneration Archiver at the scale of CERN systems (hundreds of interconnected systems)
 - Write and query performance of different backends
 - Long-term reliability: no resource leaks or performance degradation
 - Handling of event avalanches
 - Recovering from network issues and database disconnections
 - Upgrade and rollback procedures for existing Oracle schemas
- First results have already influenced the readout architecture of the NGA

Industrial Data Analytics

Machine Learning and Big Data Analytics to build smarter control systems

- **Multiple Benefits** proven by R&D activities in 6 years of openlab collaboration with Siemens:
 - **Extend the monitoring capabilities of the control systems**
 - **Reduce operational and maintenance costs**
- **+40 use-cases** identified and many in progress:
 - LHC circuit monitoring, Linac3 beam source optimization, electron-cloud heat in Cryogenics, vacuum leak detection, Linac4 accelerator...



Control System



Data Analytics

Smart Data for Industrial Control Systems

2 Different groups of data analytics activities

Use-Cases and algorithms

Design and development of data analytics algorithms to match use-case requirements

- Expert system / condition monitoring
 - LHC Circuit Monitoring
 - Condition Monitoring for Cryogenics
 - Analysis of control systems alarms based on KPIs
- Machine Learning
 - Leak detection in cooling & ventilation
 - Linac3 optimization

Analytical Platforms

Design, development and evaluation of the data analytics platform for control systems

Siemens platforms:

- Smart Industrial IoT (Smart IIoT)
- Signal Event Processing Language (SEPL) and SEPLab
- PeregrineDB

Condition monitoring analysis

> Expert system

- Translate experts' knowledge into formulation sets / rules
- Rules central storage
- Rule template to be reused, parametrized, validated

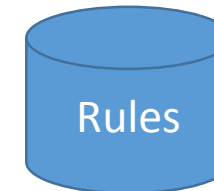
> Signal Processing Language (SPL):

- Domain specific language (DSL)
- Simple formulation
- Time reasoning and temporal expression
- Mathematical and logical functions



Rule definition:

Truth(sma(I_Meas, 1m30s) > I_Min): duration(>=1h)



List of similar assets



LHC circuit monitoring

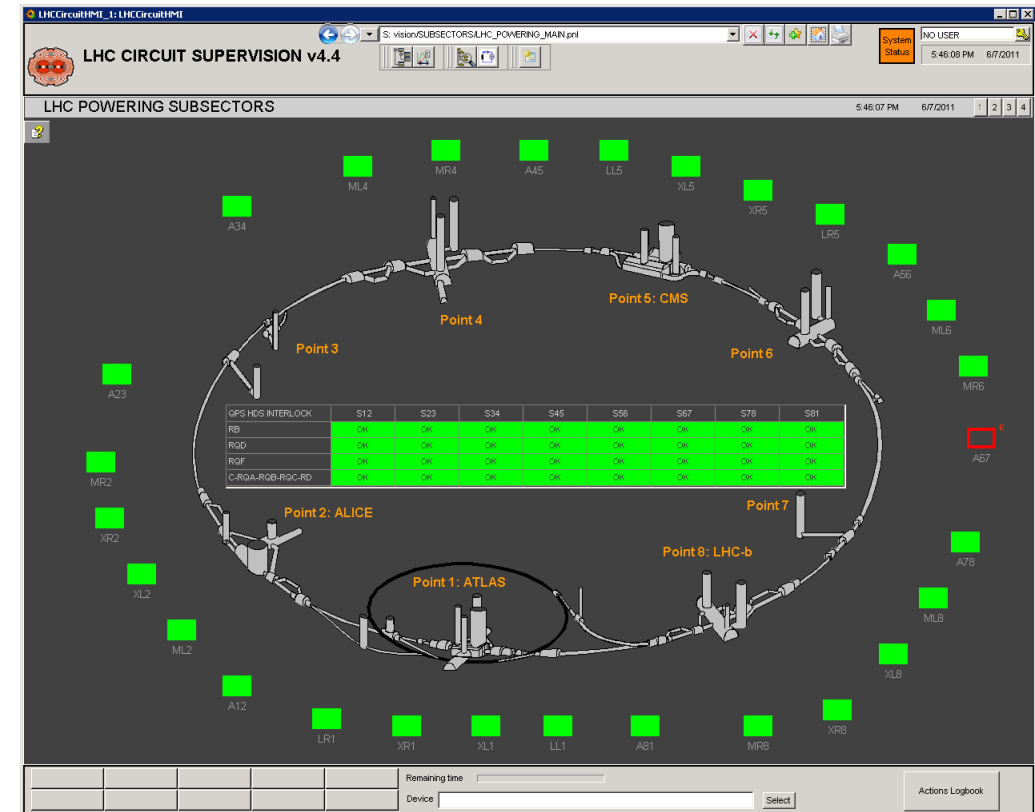
Condition monitoring analysis (*in collaboration with TE-MPE*)

> Evaluation of the LHC circuits health

- Degradation after many years of operations
- Monitoring conditions:
 - anomalous change of current flows, impedance, circuit functioning ...

> Challenges

- Assessment of the system status involves ~ 500K Signals (electrical circuits, magnets, power converters, switches)
- Readout (from 10KHz to 1Hz)
- Time reasoning over desynchronized streams

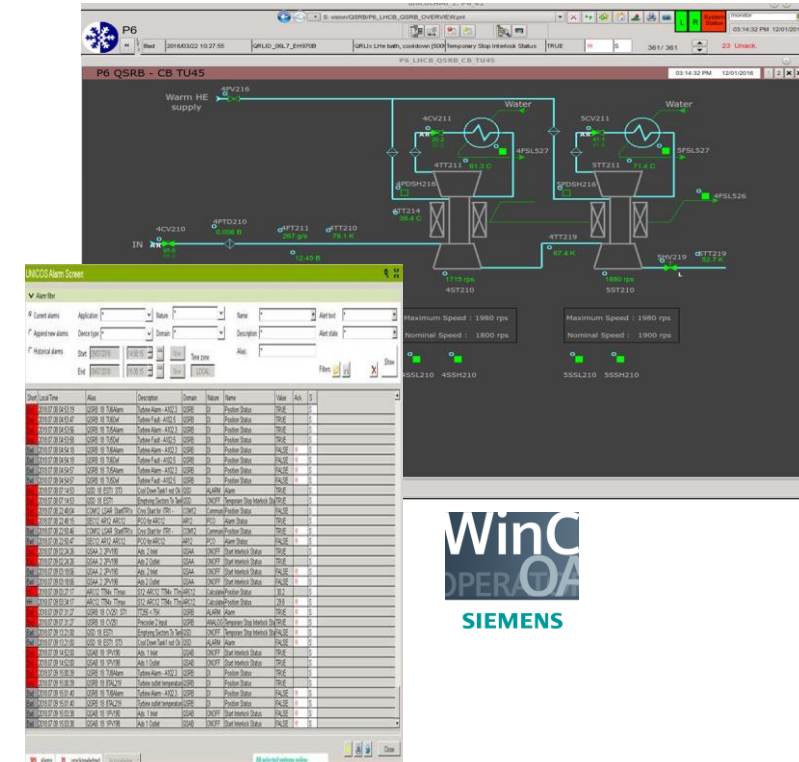


16 WinCC OA servers, 44 industrial FECs, 2800 radiation-hard devices

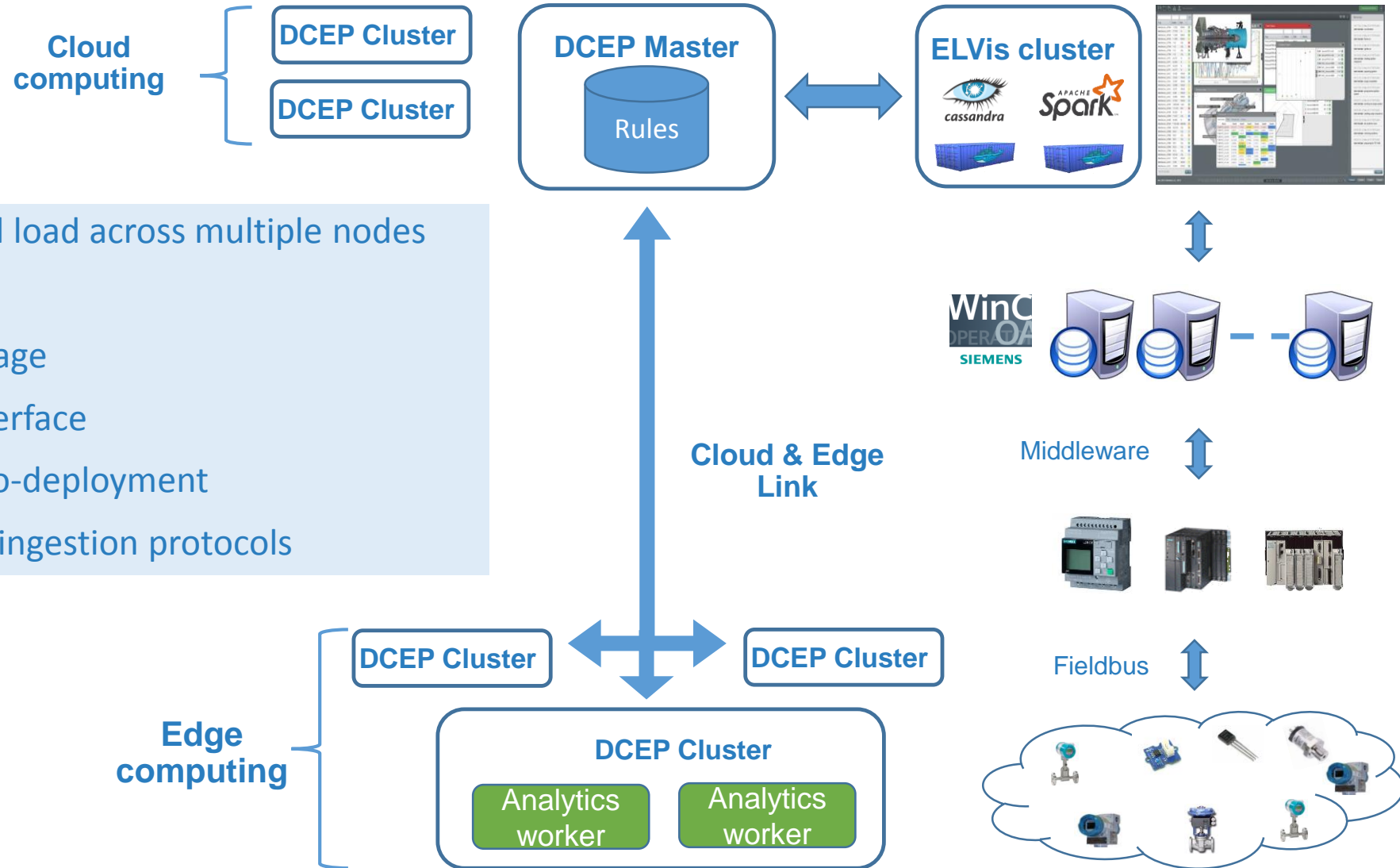
Events/Alarms generated by LHC control system

Condition monitoring of control alarms and events

- › Industrial Control Systems for accelerator and technical infrastructure:
 - 220 WinCC OA apps over ~150 physical host with 25M Data Point Elements
 - ~5M I/O channels with 0.5M defined alarms
- › Huge amount of events & alarms generated by control processes
- › **GOAL:** support system experts/operators to identify critical conditions
- › Anomaly detection based on KPI and specific conditions:
 - Alarms number, integration in time, distribution, frequency, ...
 - Detect in/decrease of KPI for time intervals
 - Multi-index/KPI analysis
 - Pattern mining analysis described by variables specifications (rules)
 - Identification of outliers for the predefined KPIs



Siemens Smart Industrial IoT analytical platform



- Distributed computational load across multiple nodes
- Faster rule deployment
- Improved knowledge storage
- Web-based multi-user interface
- Service discovery and auto-deployment
- Support for multiple data ingestion protocols

Signal Event Processing Language (SEPL)

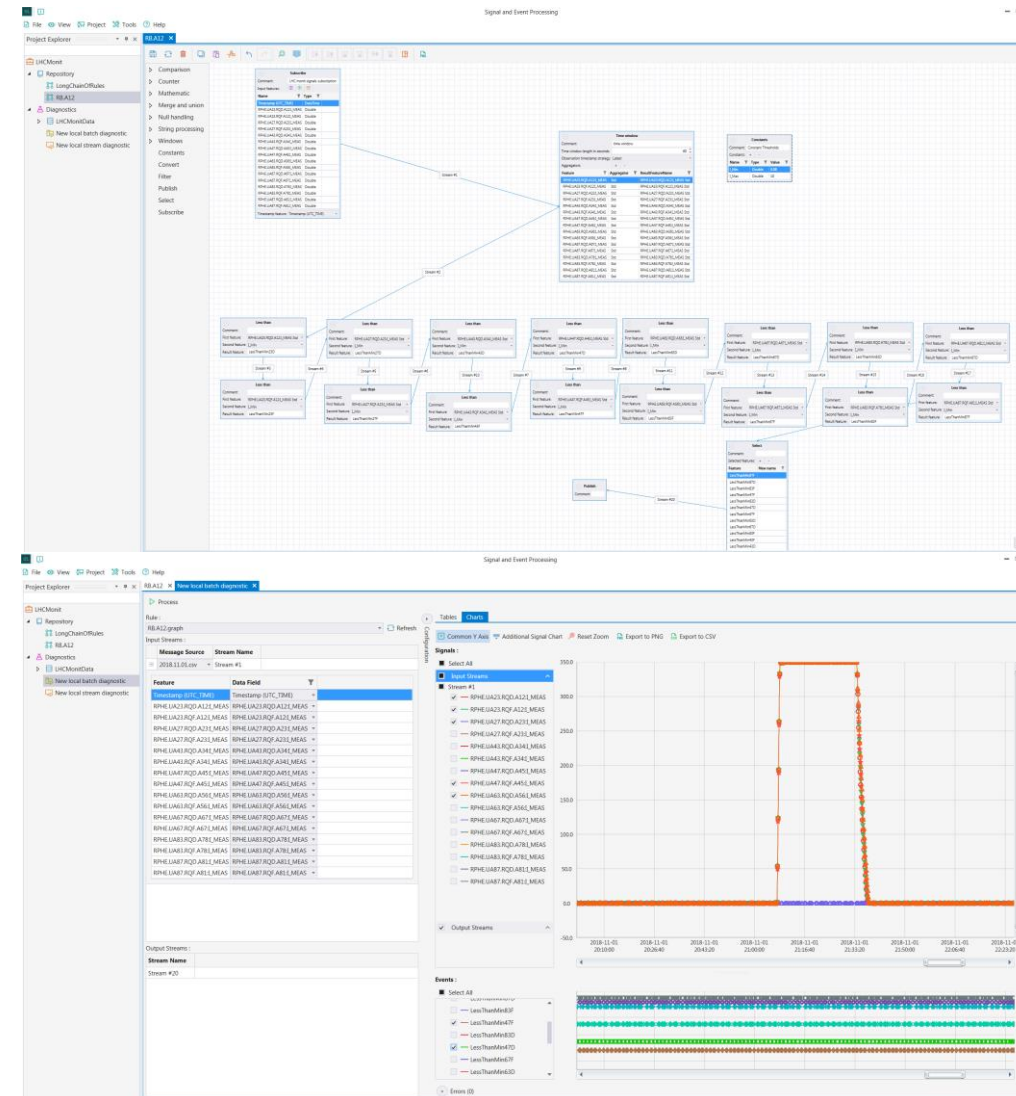
Engineering tool to define analytical workflows

› Status:

- Multiple versions of SEPLab released and evaluated
- Handle numerical data and events at the same time
- Automatic input data parsing

› Next

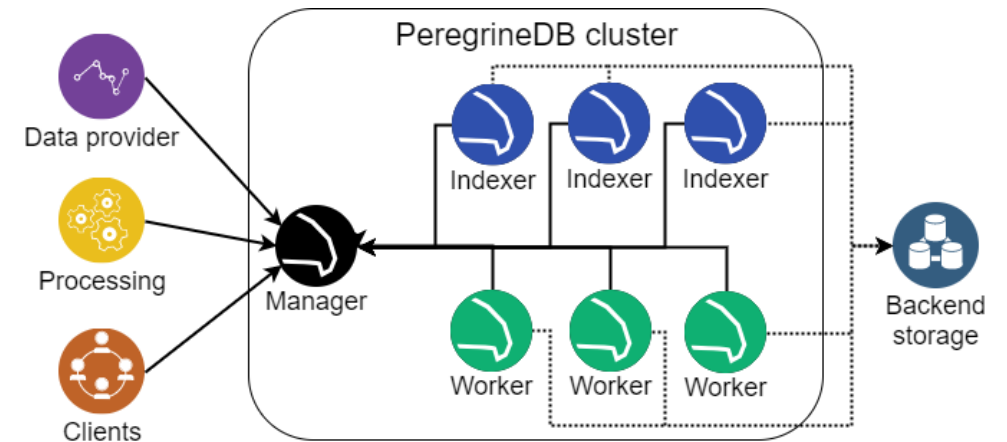
- Integration with new Smart IIoT interface/API
- Macro for simple script and template
- Support for both online and historical data (rule validation)



PeregrineDB for batch condition monitoring

In collaboration with ITMO university

- › Database optimized for fast , high availability storage and retrieval time for time series data
- › Extracts relevant inputs from big historical data sets to feed CEP
- › Main features:
 - ✓ Aggregation and sampling
 - ✓ Data compression
 - ✓ Support for different backends, data formats
 - ✓ Lightweight index
 - ✓ High speed at ingestion and extraction
 - ✓ Distributed architecture



Summary & outlook

- Next Generation Archiver:
 - Good progress on all components
 - Promising results of pilot deployments at CERN
 - Considerable testing efforts required before deployment in ALICE in 2019
- Data Analytics:
 - **New use-cases** identified for both **Conditioning Monitoring** and **ML**:
 - LHC Circuit, Cryo, alarms KPI analysis, optimization of linac3 beam source
 - Various versions of **Smart IIoT** platform and **SEPLab** tested
 - Cloud computing: initial **ELVis integration** with Smart IIoT platform
- **Successful collaboration** with **Siemens** advancing at good pace
- Widening the collaboration scope: **new resources, new activities**
 - New fellow: Anthony Hennessey
 - Evaluation of **Siemens PLC AI module** against CERN use-cases
- **A big thanks to Siemens** for the fruitful collaboration and continuous support!



Thank you!

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